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Bulgaria Joins Axis Pact In Vienna Ceremony

Protocol Said Signed in Presence Of Berlin, Rome, Tokyo Delegates

London, Mar. 1.

BULGARIA today signed a protocol adhering to the tripartite pact, according to an announcement by the official German wireless.

Herr von Ribbentdop, German Foreign Minister, lead his "guests" into the Yellow Hall of the Belvedere Palace, and sat down at a long table, with Professor Filoff on his right and Count Ciano on his left.

The German Foreign Minister welcomed Professor Filoff in a short address, and expressed his satisfaction at Bulgaria's decision to join the Pact, and regretted that Mr. Popoff, Bulgarian Foreign Minister, was unable to attend owing to "illness."

The text of the protocol was identical to that under which Rumania, Hungary and Slovakia adhered to the pact, and was signed first by Professor Filoff, and then by Herr von Ribbentrop. Count Ciano, Italian Minister, signed for Italy, and General Oshima, Japanese Ambassador in Berlin, on behalf of Japan.

Soviet Friendship

Professor Filoff then read in German a declaration that "Bulgaria will remain faithful to her friendship agreement with her neighbours, and will continue her traditional friendly relations with the Soviet Union."

He added that the Pact was an instrument of policy aimed at securing for the nations the possibility of greated development and welfare, and a just, permanent peace.

Herr von Ribbentrop congratulated Bulgaria on her decision, and expressed confidence that more states would soon join the pact.

He declared that "the power behind the vital claims of the young nations was tremendous. In the coming year British lies will be replaced by German facts. The Axis will have taken up her position for the attack, and ready to meet and defeat Britain wherever she is."

Staged Ceremony

The Axis, as is always the case, did everything to make the ceremony impressive. Herr Hitler himself was present, and after the ceremony attended a luncheon given at the Palace.

An extraordinary meeting of the Bulgarian Parliament has been called for Sunday at 4 p.m., when Professor Filoff is expected to make a declaration, states a Sofia despatch to the German News Agency.

The same agency states that Herr Hitler "received an enthusiastic ovation" when he drove through the streets on his arrival in Vienna. The Fuhrer was accompanied by Field-Marshal Keitel, Commander-in-Chief of the German Army, Herr Dietrich, Nazi Press Chief, and other officials, and was met by Herr von Ribbentrop and Herr Baldur von Schirach, Nazi Governor of Vienna.

London Undisturbed

The Bulgarian adherence to the pact is not considered in London to be of any practical importance. The view is taken in authoritative quarters that the signature is merely a formal indication of the subservience to Germany which the Bulgarian government has shown for some time past. It also indicates how far the Bulgarian government has gone in assisting Germany's design of securing control of the country.

The attitude of the Bulgarian Government is a cause of regret to a great many of its own people, and to all Bulgaria's friends. It is also made clear in London that Bulgaria will have to take the consequences of its Government's actions.

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Big Steel Strike In U.S. Settled

Encouraging Report on Industry's Ability to Supply Democracies

Buffalo, New York, Mar. 1.

A strike at the Lackawanna plant of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation has been settled. Workers unanimously approved a formula drafted by the Government, and production on valuable defence contracts will continue forthwith. The plant employs 4,000 men.—Reuter.

Steel Production in U.S.

Washington, Mar. 1.

Ample facilities for steel production exist in the United States to meet all requirements of America and of other democracies, according to a report by the Office of Production Management, which President Roosevelt quoted at a press conference yesterday.

He said the report showed that American facilities were sufficient for all domestic needs, both civilian and defence, and also to meet the wants of "those nations trying to uphold democracy." The report was "exceedingly encouraging," added the President.—Reuter.

No Immediate Threat To Singapore Seen

But Washington Watches Japanese Moves

Washington, Mar. 1.

While the Japanese ultimatum to Indo-China and the presence of the Japanese fleet in the Gulf of Siam is not regarded here as an immediate threat to the Dutch East Indies or to Singapore, it is widely felt that Japanese action may show whether the Navy is about to embark on a rampage on the seas similar to that which her armies began on the Asiatic mainland some years ago.

Every move in this mysterious form of mediation is being watched in Washington with the greatest attention.

In the meantime Americans are receiving with considerable delight reports of German difficulties in Holland. The "Washington Post" says that Holland will be the most difficult country in Europe for Germany to digest and adds that Hitler will never be able to bend the Dutch to slavery.—Reuter.

President Urges Return Of Army, Navy Families

Washington, Mar. 1.

President Roosevelt yesterday asked Congress to pass legislation authorizing utilization of War Department funds to remove families of Army men from abroad.

The President said the proposal was a "precautionary measure deemed highly desirable because of existing and possible future world conditions."

He said similar legislation also would be requested for Navy families.—United Press.

Thirty-sixth British Destroyer Lost

London, Mar. 1.

The 36th British destroyer to have been lost through enemy action was reported last night by the Admiralty.

H.M.S. Exmoor was sunk during an E-boat (motor torpedo boat) attack on a British convoy in the North Sea on Tuesday night, the communique said. The attackers were driven off without further damage to the convoy or escorts.—United Press.

Nazis Over Sofia While Pact Signed

Sofia, Mar. 1.

Nazi planes hovered over Sofia all morning today while the Bulgarian Premier was in Vienna signing papers joining Bulgaria to the Tripartite Pact.

German bombers flew over Sofia throughout the morning, swooping low over the capital. They cruised back and forth across the city.—United Press.

Germans Said in Bulgaria

Belgrade, Mar. 1.

German troops marched into Bulgaria this morning and already were at Varna, Bulgarian port near the Rumanian frontier, usually well-informed quarters said here today.—United Press.

Accord Said Reached at Ankara Meet

Turk, British Interests Given Special Attention

London, Mar. 1.

Complete agreement was reached on all problems arising from the international situation during conversations between Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, with President Ineunu and high Turkish Government officials, according to a communique issued in Ankara.

Mr. Eden and Sir John Dill left Ankara last night after their talk with Turkish leaders.

An announcement on the Ankara Radio last night indicated that the mutual interests of Turkey and Great Britain in face of the present Balkan conditions were the subject of special attention.

It continued: "The two Governments once more asserted complete attachment to the Turk-British alliance. The present international situation was subjected to a review from every angle, and conditions in the Balkans and the mutual interests of Turkey and Great Britain were the subject of special attention.

"Complete agreement was again reached on the policy of the two Governments regarding all these problems."

Message to People

Mr. Eden had a two-hour interview with the Turkish President on Thursday night, and yesterday afternoon he received the Turkish press asking them to convey to the Turkish people his and Sir John Dill's appreciation of the warm welcome they received.

"I feel sure," said Mr. Eden, "that this welcome is a true interpretation of the feelings of sincere sympathy which the Turkish people entertain for the British people."

Mr. Eden also commented on the great improvements in Turkey since his previous visit. He had been deeply impressed by what he had seen of modern Turkey. "The efforts and endeavours in evidence everywhere constitute a guarantee for your future. I shall carry away from here to keep for ever warm recollection my contact with your President, the Turkish Government and the Turkish nation."

"My first visit to Turkey," added Mr. Eden, "was in 1929, and I am much impressed by the great strides of progress to be recorded in your country during this comparatively short period. I am also asking you to convey to the Turkish press my personal thanks for the courteous reception accorded to me."—Reuter.

Interest in Cripps' Journey

Basle, Mar. 1.

The journey to Ankara of the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Stafford Cripps, has created interest in the Balkans, according to the Budapest correspondent of the Swiss "Basler Nachrichten."

It is generally believed that the reason for the trip is the necessity of directly informing Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, concerning Russia's waiting policy. The correspondent adds that M. Viacheslav Molotov, Soviet Foreign Commissar, is expected to deliver his postponed speech shortly, possibly after Sir Stafford Cripps returns to Moscow.—Reuter.

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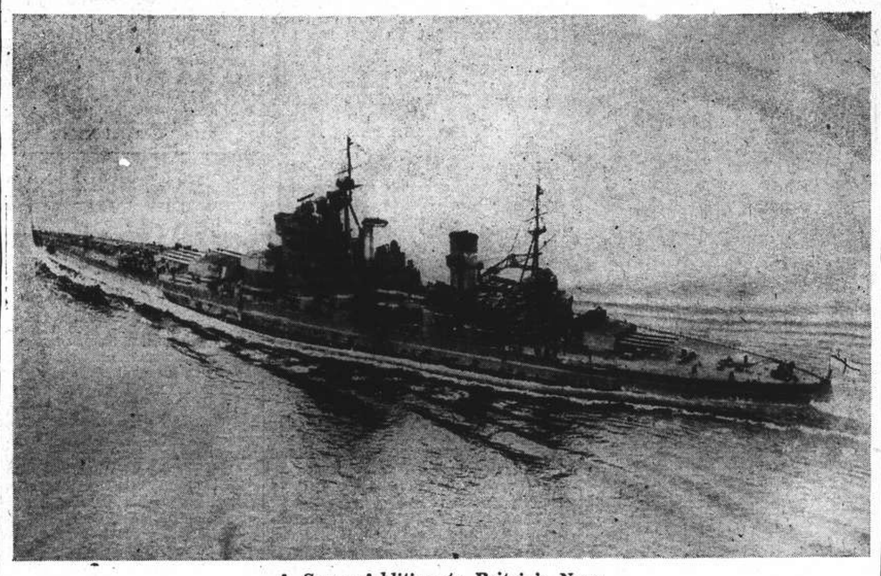
British China Squadron Emblem Competition

In order that competitors who may not have had an opportunity of inspecting the copy of the "Illustrated London News" of December 28, containing pictures of many of the insignia of the various squadrons of the R.A.F. the following reproduction of one of them is printed above. It is not suggested for one moment that

competitors are bound to follow this particular design, and it may very well be that some other idea may prove successful, though the applicability of this type to the Royal Air Force is undoubtedly strong. Entrants are reminded that their designs should reach the Editor of the "North-China Daily News" not later than the evening of Friday, March 7.



A Super-Addition to Britain's Navy

An aerial picture of the new British battleship, H.M.S. King George V, as she steamed up Chesapeake Bay towards Annapolis, Maryland, with Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States on board. Most powerfully armed, the new battleship is a formidable addition to the Royal Navy, building for which is proceeding at a fast rate in Britain and the Dominions. At the start of the present war Britain possessed the most powerful fleet in the world and a huge building programme was under way. Today the Royal Navy is more powerful than ever and building is still going on.

British Reach Outposts of Keren in Drive South

Italians Reported to Have Streamed Out of Gelib to Surrender on Capture of Stronghold

Cairo, Mar. 1.

THE British-Italian battle for Eritrea sharpened yesterday as fighting increased in the Keren sector.

"British forces advancing from Cubcub are now in contact with enemy troops holding positions north of Keren," said a General Headquarters communique. "We also have improved our positions west of the sector.

"In the face of increasing patriotic pressure Italians are evacuating military posts near Gojjam in Abvssinia," the communique also said.—United Press.

Capture of Gelib

Soon after the attack on Gelib, the Italians streamed out to surrender. Natal infantry advanced into the smoking ruins of the town which had previously been bombarded by our artillery from the north.

In the town, they added to the large tally of Italian prisoners some Italian marine gunners.

Gold Coast troops, taking an outlying defence point with the bayonet, crossed the Juba River on a pontoon bridge and fought their way down to within a few miles a Gelib, where they were held up by a minefield. This cleared they entered Gelib five hours after the South Africans.

Large quantities of arms and ammunition were captured by the Gold Coast troops, including 1,260 rifles, ten guns of various sizes, 31 machine-guns and 17 lorries containing shells and Molotov cocktails.

After the action, the officer commanding declared: "They were all marvellous. There is no choosing between them."—Reuter.

Operations Reviewed

Cairo, Mar. 1.

Units of the Royal Air Force and South African Air Force have given support to Imperial troops on various fronts in East Africa.

Considerable damage and casualties were caused when Italian troop positions south of Keren were bombed and machine-gunned. A large transport aircraft was destroyed when Zula aerodrome was machine-gunned by other aircraft.—Reuter.

More Blows to Italy

London, Mar. 1.

Latest news from Africa shows that further severe blows have been struck at the Italians from end to end of the widespread front.

In the heart of the Libyan desert, enemy posts in the oasis of Kufra were attacked by Free French forces on Sunday on advanced posts. Several Italians were killed and considerable damage done.—Reuter.

26 Enemy Planes Down Over Greece

Italian Counter-Attack Smashed in Albanian Central Sector

Athens, Mar. 1.

In one of its most sucessful days since the start of the Italian-Greek war, the R.A.F. shot down 26 enemy aircraft over Greece yesterday, according to an official announcement just issued.

Meanwhile, the Greeks have smashed an Italian counter-attack in the central sector of the Albanian battlefront.

The action was described in a broadcast on the Athens Radio last night. Many Italian dead and wounded were left on the field, and in the same sector two Italian tanks were severely damaged and forced to turn tail.

At several points, said the announcer, Greek patrols scored successes, while a continuous bombardment of Italian positions was doing heavy damage.

Meanwhile, the lull in big-scale offensive operations—owing to persistent bad weather—is being used by the Italians for an improvement of their defences.

An attempted enemy air raid was foiled by anti-aircraft batteries, which brought down two bombers and hit two others. The Greek air force carried out several successful raids, causing considerable damage to Italian positions and concentrations.—Reuter.

Malta Damaged

Malta, Mar. 1.

Two churches and a convent were damaged, and more than 200 persons were rendered homeless, in an air raid yesterday. Accommodation for the homeless was immediately found in the sacristy of a church.

Following a recent indiscriminate bombing of Malta, slogans reading "Bomb Rome" have appeared on the walls of ruined buildings.—Reuter.

Seven Missing After Army Bomber Crashes

Panama, Mar. 1.

Seven men were missing yesterday after a United States Army bomber crashed while engaged in routine night manœuvres, officials announced. Observers reported the plane, which was cruising Thursday night near Tawboga island, fell and burst into flames when it struck the sea. Boats located the wreckage, which remained afloat, but occupants of the plane were not found immediately.—United Press.

44th Raid Over Wilhelmshaven

Raids Carried Out Over North-west Germany, Holland and France

London, Mar. 1.

Wilhelmshaven was one of the objectives when bombers of the Royal Air Force last night carried out extensive operations over north-west Germany, Holland and north France.

In spite of strong wind and bad visibility, which made exact observation difficult, some large bombs were seen to burst in the target area at Wilhemshaven. The raid was the 44th attack on this important German naval base. The last attack was made on Febraury 21, when bombs were dropped for an hour and half, starting several fires in dockyards and among shipping.

Other aircraft attacked the port of Emden and several aerodromes in north-west Germany and Holland.

The port of Boulogne was visited for the 77th time since it fell into German hands, while at dusk yesterday a point in Brittany and objectives on the Dutch coast were bombed. Several direct hits were observed. One aircraft is missing.—Reuter.

French Moved From Coast

Vichy, Feb. 28.

Credence was given to unconfirmed reports that Germany has begun the mass evacuation of the French population on the English Channel coast.

Some French observers interpreted the reports as an indication that Germany is making final preparations for an attempt to invade the British Isles. They pointed out that the move coincides with the opening of a vast new German U-boat offensive.

Neutral quarters, however, minimized the importance of such a move by stating that it might be routine military precaution to prevent the leakage of information.

Meanwhile, one source said that a coastal strip was being cleared to the depth of 21 miles.—Domei.

New Bombers in Action

London, Mar. 1.

The R.A.F.'s newest bombers, four motored Stirlings, were used for the first time over Germany "a few days ago" the magazine "Aeroplane" revealed here yesterday.

The Stirlings were described as the most powerful military aeroplanes in service in any airforce in the World at the present time. They were said to combine great load carrying powers with high speed and powerful defensive armament.—United Press.

Little Activity over Britain

London, Mar. 1.

There was scarcely any enemy air activity over Britain yesterday, but a few bombs were dropped during the afternoon at Dover, causing little damage and no casualties.

It is now known, states the Air Ministry, that an enemy bomber was shot down by anti-aircraft fire off South Wales on Wednesday.—Reuter.

Gort's Son Had Accident Before Death

London, Mar. 1.

At the inquest on Charles Standish Vereker, son of Lord Gort, it was revealed that he made light this week of crashing his motorcycle into a concrete wall, which had caused slight concussion.

The Coroner said that he had come to the conclusion that Lieut. Vereker took has life while the balance of his mind was disturbed and added that the accident might have had some effect on his state of mind at the time.—Reuter.

Senator Wheeler Continues Verbal Attack on U.S. Aid Bill

"Sassoons of India and China" Denounced by Montana Isolationist; Mr. Chandler's Rebuke

Washington, Mar. 1.

THE "Sassoons" of India and China received a verbal blast late yesterday from Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Democrat of Montana and staunch isolationist, as he fired verbal guns at the lend-lease bill during heated Senate debate.

Senator Wheeler launched a vitriolic attack on the bill as supporters gathered more speakers in behalf of the administration effort to help Britain in her struggle against Germany.

"The American people," Senator Wheeler said, "were being lured toward disaster by "propaganda engineered by the same international bankers who got us into the last war.

"I hate Hitler and Hitlerism, Mussolini and Fascism, Stalin and Communism," Senator Wheeler declared. "I abhor intolerance and bigotry.

"I denounce political control by a financial oligarchy, whether by the Thyssens and Krupps of Germany or the Morgans and Warburgs or other international bankers of the United States, the Rothschilds of Europe or the Sassoons of India and China," he said.

Enactment of the lend-lease Bill would empower President Roosevelt to "commit acts equivalent to a declaration of war including, firstly, seizure of German, Italian or Japanese merchant ships in our harbours; secondly, sending American merchant ships to belligerent ports, thirdly furnishing a haven for belligerent warships for repairs."

Senator Wheeler said the Bill would strip the United States of its defences, and "invite the Chief Executive to plunge the nation into war and create a dictatorship.

"The bill constitutes a monstrosity full of deadly poison for the future of the United States," Senator Wheeler said.

Senator Allen J. Ellender, Democrat of Louisianna, said he had 56 votes in support of his amendment forbidding use of United States troops outside the Western Hemisphere and possessions of the United States.

Senator A. B. Chandler, Democrat of Kentucky, told Senator Wheeler that President Roosevelt eventually may desire to "purge" Senator Wheeler from political life for the Montanan's opposition to the lend-lease bill.

"He may get you sometime," Senator Chandler said during a bitter exchange which climaxed an argument following Senator Wheeler's speech.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., Republican of Massachusetts, introduced a substitute bill authorizing a total loan of US$2,000,000,000 immediately to Britain, Greece and China.—United Press.

Washington Adminstration Completing Scheme to Assist Britain

General Plan Considered to Extend Aid as Soon As Bill is Passed; Stocks May Be Transferred

Washington, Mar. 1.

The Administration is completing a general plan for facilitating aid to Britain after passage of the "Lend-Lease Bill," it was learned here yesterday.

General steps in the plan probably include transfers of goods to Britain from stocks on hand in the United States, submission to Congress of an appropriation authorizing complete manufacturing contracts and development of the priorities system.

The "Ordnance Magazine" semi-official publication, said that Britain and the United States have now on order 50,000 planes, 9,200 tanks, 380 warships and 200 merchant ships. Defence officials estimated that materials on order totalled US$15,000,000,000.

Meanwhile, in the first eight months of the current fiscal year, national defence expenditures have totalled approximately US$298,000,000, which is under one-quarter of the US$13,000,000,000 Congress provided for the year.

Defence outlays are averaging about US$1,000,000 daily. The State Department reported that in January Britain was licensed to obtain US$11,811,914 worth of American planes and munitions while actual shipments during that month totalled US$18,566,218. Total British Empire licences were valued at US$151,791,444 while shipments were valued at US$30,573,209.—United Press.

Tokyo Still Waiting For French Reply

Vichy Reported to Have Found Japanese Peace Plan Basically Acceptable But No Communique Sent by France to Tokyo Late Last Night

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

AMID a welter of conflicting reports, it is learned that Japan tonight is still awaiting a definite reply from France to her mediation proposal for settlement of the border dispute between Indo-China and Thailand.—Reuter.

Blackout in Cochin China

Saigon, Mar. 1.

Cochin-China observed a complete blackout tonight as tension mounted in Saigon over the apparent deadlock in the Tokyo mediation conference for the settlement of the Franco-Thai border dispute.

This precautionary measure came on the heels of large scale anti-air raid manœuvres held during the day when troops went into "action" fighting simulated fires, and rescuing "victims."

Forty Japanese civilians residing in the Saigon area, completed evacuation preparations, making ready to embark aboard the Bangkok Maru which is due to arrive here March 4.

Meanwhile, close contact was being maintained between Mr. Minoda, Consul-General, Colonel Yasumasa Koike, and Captain Kanei Chudo, members of the Japanese military and naval missions to French Indo-China.

Large French forces were rushed to northern Indo-China, and completed defence dispositions in the Saigon area, it was understood.

Acceptance Reported

Vichy, Mar. 1.

The French Council of Ministers late yesterday found the Japanese mediation proposal of the Thai-French Indo-China dispute basically acceptable, it was announced. Terms were not announced.

Following a two and one half hour session the Council "drafted the Government position concerning negotiations in Tokyo for solution of the Franco-Siamese conflict," said an announcement.

Admiral Francois Darlan, French Vice-Premier, Foreign, War and Navy Minister, announced the Government's general polices.

Vichy, it was learned, had decided "in the interests of peace" to reply to the second peace proposal offered by Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister.

The council found that the proposal "inspired conceptions" on both sides, said an authoritative source Mr. Matsuoka, it was understood, had trimmed territorial transfers originally demanded but Thailand still gets everything west of the Mekong River in Laos Province, plus an important portion of northwest Cambodia.

The French reply was expected to start to Tokyo tonight (the announcement was made about 11 p.m. Friday Vichy Time) 7 a.m. Saturday Shanghai Time and 8 a.m. Saturday Tokyo Time.)

Authoritative sources said the reply would enable French delegates in Tokyo to continue appeasement efforts with likelihood of a final agreement before expiration of the armistice.

The Council's decision was interpreted here as meaning that France, weighing the possibilities of the military situation, had decided to make maximum concessionss respecting the Indo-China-Thailand frontier, rather than fight.—United Press.

No Official Information

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

France's acceptance of the basic terms of Japan's compromise formula was reported by foreign press messages early this morning, but official circles declined to comment, pending the receipt of official information.

High officials of the Foreign Office met at an emergency conference this morning, and were later joined by Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Minister of Foreign Affairs, while conversations were held between Japanese and French delegates to the Tokyo conference.

Some observers are of the opinion that a way out of the difficulty may possibly be found, leading to an early convocation of the fifth informal meeting of representatives of Japan, France and Thailand.—Reuter.

Attempt to Avert Collapse

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

Japanese delegates to the Franco-Thai mediation conference continued last minute efforts to avert the collapse of the negotiations. The Japanese conferred individually with members of the French delegation throughout the day.

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Saigon Japanese Celebrate

French Amazed at Report Of Vichy Acceptance of Japanese Peace Terms

Saigon, Mar. 1.

While news of Vichy's acceptance of Japanese demands caused amazement and bitterness among French nationals, Japanese here today celebrated their reported diplomatic victory by drinking at pavement restaurants and watching feverish air raid precautions' practice.

A certain air of mystery prevailed here regarding the situation, for there was no official announcement that France had accepted the demands while a blackout and anti-air raid drill were ordered for southern Indo-China.

French Government officials said that they had not been officially informed of Vichy's acceptance of the demands.

This morning, the French authorities had even informed American Consular officials that the latest Japanese demands in favour of Thailand had been rejected.

Colonel Tatsuji Koike, head of the Japanese Military Mission to Indo-China, told the United Press, "I have received no new instructions from Japan. I believe the crisis is exaggerated." He declined, however, either to confirm or deny that Japan had sent an ultimatum to Indo-China.

French nationals were specially hurt by reports of Vichy's capitulation coming on the heels of the apparent strong stands adopted yesterday by both Vichy and Indo-China.

An official, commenting on the Vichy reports, said, "Very strong Thai and Japanese pressure has forced the acceptance. We are helpless. Everybody is refusing assistance, but those who have refused should remember that not only France but their own cause in the Far East suffers from such a degrading step as this."

Meanwhile, while planes zoomed overhead and anti-aircraft guns clattered in mock air raids, Japanese residents and members of the Japanese Mission who yesterday seemed excited, today sat coolly at pavement cafés and leisurely drank to a reported diplomatic victory.

Sources closely connected with the Japanese Mission said that further large numbers of Japanese troops will shortly leave Hainan for Tonkin.

There appeared grounds here today that some ultimatum was actually sent to Indo-China, although some quarters suggested that "ultimatum" was too strong a word for the "requests" presented by the Japanese. They admitted, however, that the Japanese manner of presentation was not friendly.—United Press.

1,200 Americans to Leave North China

Peiping, Feb. 28.

Heeding the advice of the State Department in Washington, most of the Americans in North China, numbering some 1,200, will leave for the United States shortly.

Of this number, 470 are residents of Peiping, 300 of Tientsin and 200 of Tsingtao. About 300 will leave from Taiyuan, Paoing and Tsinan.

Among the evacuees are missionaries, professors, physicians and merchants. Practically the only Americans remaining in North China will be Embassy and consular officials.—Havas Telemondial.

Japanese Press Sees French Failure To Reply as Rejection of Mediation

"French Indo-China Will Embark on Road to Ruin If Peace Plan Rejected," States "Kokumin"

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

The failure of the French Government to reply to the Japanese proposal for the settlement of the Franco-Thai border dispute upon the expiration of the deadline at midnight last night is regarded by the metropolitan press as an indication that France does not desire to agree to the Japanese proposal. All the newspapers make a feature of the French failure to reply, and declare that the situation has now entered a new stage.

The "Chugai Shogyo" points out that it is unknown what the Japanese Government intends to do, and declares that Japan has no alternative but to "carry out her firm and resolute policy."

With a warning that by the rejection of Japan's compromise proposal French Indo-China will "embark on the road to ruin," the rightist newspaper, "Kokumin Shimbun" counsels the French authorities in an editorial against "purposely misunderstanding Japan's lofty and pure intentions by falling prey to Anglo-American plots."

The "Yomiuri Shimbun" upheld the Japanese proposal as showing no favouritism to either Thailand or Indo-China, and being drawn up so as to take into full consideration the national honour and right of survival of the two countries.

"We well realize that France as well as her colonies is undergoing severe mental anguish by being caught in the furious changes in the international situation. We are also aware that they are in a difficult position where they can easily fall a prey to illusions.

In looking back, however, upon the causes of the French defeat, and realizing the futility of a trust upon strength that does not exist, it should be evident to France that it is unwise to launch upon a blind course," the "Yomiuri" declared.—Reuter.

CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Trinity Cathedral.—March 1.—1st Sunday in Lent. 8 a.m. Holy Communion (also in Bubbling Well Chapel) 10.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. Psalm: 51. Lessons: Genesis 18; Matthew 3. Benedicite—Lloyd in E flat. Hymns: 083, 86. Preacher: Rev. E. J. Ottewell. 4.30. 10.30 a.m. Children's Service. Prof. R. J. Salmon, M.S. 3 p.m. Sunday School—Cathedral Girls' School. 6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Psalm: 32. Lessons: Genesis 21, 1-21; Mark 14, 126. Hymns: 90, 243, 161, 21. Preacher: The Dean. 6 p.m. Bubbling Well Chapel: Rev. G. A. Scott. March 5.—Wednesday.—Lenten Service and Address. 5.30 p.m. Bubbling Well Chapel. March 7.—Friday.—Noon-day Service and Address. 12.15 p.m. In the Cathedral. (Mattins at 10.30 a.m. will be broadcast from Cathedral over Stations XMHC, 760 kc., XCDN., 1440 kc., Daily intercessions at 12.10 p.m. from XMHC.)

St. John's Pro-Cathedral, Jessfield.—Evening Prayer in English at six o'clock. Preacher: Rt. Rev. W. P. Roberts.

Union Church (International and Interdenominational), 107 Soochow Road (near the British Consulate-General). Officiating Minister: Rev. C. Wilfrid Allen.—10.30 a.m. Morning Worship. Annual Service of St. David's Society of Shanghai. Hymns: "Lord of light, Whose Name outshineth," "Jesus, Lover of my soul," "Whom oceans part, O Lord unite," and "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah." First Lesson: Psalm 121 (Welsh verson), read by Mr. J. A. Bonnyman, president of St. David's Society; Second Lesson: Revelation 21, vv. 1-4, 22-27, read by Mr. O. G. R. Beynon; Soloist: Mr. H. H. Thomas; Preacher, Rev. Alexander Baxter, of the London Mission. Following the Morning Service the Monthly Communion will be held.—10.30. Children's Morning Service in the Church Hall: 3 Afternoon School at 1292 Ave. Joffre.—Tuesday, 3, Meeting of Union Church Women's Guild.

Church of the Air Programme. Station XMHD. (760 kc., 395m.)
Sunday Mar. 2.
10.00: XMHD Service (Mr. Chas. Wilson).
11.00 Sacred Music.
12.00 Sermon (Dr. Bob Jones).
16.00 Piano Solo.
16.30 Bible Study. (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
19.45 "Miracles and Melodies."
20.00 XMHD Sacred Concert
20.30 Gospel Service (Mr. A. E. Phillips).
21.15 Russian Evangelistic Service and Music.
Weekdays, Mar. 3-8.
7.30 Sacred Music
8.30 Thought for the Day (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
9.00 Prayer and Music for sick
12.00 Popular Music
12.45 "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
13.10 Devotional Service and Song
16.00 Sacred Music
17.00 Classical Music
20.00 Sacred Concert
20.30 Gospel Service and Song
21.00 "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
21.30 Russian Service (Tuesday)
Noonday speakers Mr K. Faulkner, Dr. H. G. C. Hallock, Rev. Wm. McDowall, Rev. F. S. Darling, Miss Edith Spurling. Nightly Speakers Mr. F. J. T. Savage, Rev. Frank England, Rev. A. Whitelaw, Dr. D. Farquharson, Rev. W. E. Turner and O. M. S. Gospel by Song Service. All are cordially invited to tune in.

Saint Joseph's Church (Rue Montauban) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8, 9.15, 10.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Peter's Church (Avenue Dubail) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8, 9.15, 11 a.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.15, 6, 6.45 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Theresa's Church (370 Tatung Road) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 7, 8 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6.15 7 a.m.

Our Lady's Church (694 Baikal Road) Sunday Masses at 6.30, 7.15 and 8.30 a.m. Benediction of Blessed Sacrament at 3 p.m. Weekdays Mass at 7 a.m.

Saint John Bosco's Church (740 Hangchow Road) Sunday Masses at 7, 8, 9 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekday Masses at 6.30 a.m.

Russian Catholic Church (235A Rue Bourgeat) Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. Weekdays at 6.45 a.m.

Church of St. Aloysius Gonzaga (73a Kiaochow Road) Sunday: Masses at 6, 7, 8 and 9.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.30 6 and 6.30 a.m.

Church of Christ the King. (235 Rue Bourgeat) Masses on Sunday at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 a.m. Benediction at 6.30. Catechism classes every Saturday at 9 a.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Shanghai 1647 Avenue Road. Sunday Service 11 a.m. Subject: "Christ Jesus" Sunday School 9.45 a.m. Testimonial Meeting Wednesday, 6 p.m. Reading Room at the Church open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10.30 to 12.30, Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Christian Science Broadcast, Station X.M.H.A. Sunday, 6.30 p.m.

Shanghai Free Christian Church.—(Evangelical) 5 Tifeng Road. The Services on Sunday will be conducted as follows:—Morning at 11 o'clock by Dr. Lee S. Huizenga. Communion service at close. 3 p.m. Sunday-school and Bible Class. Evening at 6 o'clock by Mr. J. A. Eggo Services during the week:—Monday at 8 p.m. Young People's Meeting. Thursday afternoon at 5.45 Prayer Meeting.

Endeavourers Church.—Morning service will be held at 9.15 a.m. in the hall of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, 5 Tifeng Road. The Holy Communion will be celebrated after the morning service. The pastor, Rev. H. G. C. Hallock, Ph. D. will preside at both services. Mid-week prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. in room 305 Missions Building 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

Bethesda Gospel Hall.—(International) 720 Yu Yuen Road, Shanghai. Gospel Services are held in: German: Sundays Breaking of Bread Meeting at 5-6 p.m. Wednesdays Bible Class for Ladies at 4-5.30 p.m. English: Tuesdays Prayer Meeting at 5.30-6.30 p.m. Chinese: Sundays Breaking of Bread Meeting at 10-11.30 a.m. Sundays Gospel Meeting at 2.30-4 p.m. Thursdays Prayer Meeting at 6-7.30 p.m. Fridays Bible Class at 5.30-7 p.m.

The Community Church.—53 Avenue Petain. Reverend John Lyon Caughey, Pastor Mr. R. V. Dent at the organ. Sunday: All departments of the Church School will meet at 9.30 a.m.; at 11 a.m. Holy Communion and welcome to new members. The Pastor will conduct the Service and speak upon the subject, "The simplicity of real religion," the Gospel of St. Matthew 7.21. A cordial invitation is extended to all. The governing board of the Church will meet in the Women's Auxiliary Room of the new Building at 10.15 a.m. to receive new members. The monthly Business meeting of the governing Board will be held on Monday. The dedication of the new Church School and Parish building, now nearing completion, will be held on March 9, with special Services at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. All friends of the Church are invited.

Foreign Y.M.C.A.—Informal Sunday Evening Service. 6 p.m. in the Junior Division room. (Mezzanine Floor). Speaker: Mr. A. E. Phillips.

Society of Friends (Quakers).—A meeting for worship to which all are welcome will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday in room "D" at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. 150 Bubbling Well Road.

Shanghai Hebrew Mission:—50 Ford Lane, Sunday 10.30 Rev. H. Owen, Wednesday 3.30 Rev. A. Hayman, 703 N. Szechuen Road, Alliance Hall, Sunday 10.00 Rev. A. H. Reinhard, Wednesday 3.30 Rev. J. H. Ware.

Mr. Roosevelt Cancels All Engagements

Washington, Mar. 1.

Because of a severe head cold President Roosevelt cancelled all engagements for most of the day yesterday.—United Press.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Police Officer to Go on Leave

A cocktail party was given by the officers of the Russian Auxiliary Detachment in honour of Mr. H. D. M. Robertson, Deputy Commissioner in charge of the Unit, on Friday to commemorate his departure on long leave. Mr. Robertson's place temporarily will be taken by Assistant Commissioner A. H. Samson. The photo shows the departing officer and Major S. D. Ivanoff, commanding officer of the R.A.D. In a little speech, Mr. Robertson thanked the officers of the Unit for honouring him.

Aid to China Best Check to Japan

Sir John Wardlaw-Milne Stresses Vast Benefit of China's Resistance

London, Mar. 1.

"China's undaunted resistance against Japan is still the strongest defence against aggression in the Far East, declared Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, Conservative Member of Parliament for the Kidderminster division of Worcestershire, in a letter to "The Times."

"During the past nine months," he says, "the Japanese army has had no successes but several notable reverses—in Shansi and Hopei in August; along the Lower Yangtze in October and a serious defeat in the Han River valley in November.

"The Japanese evacuation of Nanning and the whole province of Kwangsi was of immense importance," Sir John asserted. "Even if the Japanese retired in good order, which the Chinese deny, it was a very plain confession of the need of reducing commitments.

"China is containing a million Japanese in China, and Japanese casualties in China are not far short of a million.

"The extraordinary progress in the development of Free China's wealth has astonished foreign observers and is surely attested by recent visits to Chungking of official economic missions from Burma and the United States, but the moral of the whole situation is the unequalled importance of China's continued resistance, and that the more help China can be given in materials and money the more effective is her check on further aggression by a small body of pro-Nazi sympathizers who now rule Japan to the anxiety of a large number of sober-minded Japanese," Sir John Wardlaw-Milne concluded.—Reuter.

India Raises More Mechanized Units

Provision Made In Budget For Big Additions

New Delhi, Mar. 1.

Provision for raising new armoured and mechanized cavalry regiments, new Indian field artillery regiments, regular infantry battalions, engineer units, and all highly-trained and specialized artillery troops required for modern warfare, is included in the Indian Budget for 1941-32, the figures of which have just been made public.

In announcing a prospective deficit in the Budget of £15 345.000, the Finance Member proposed an creased rate in the Excess Profits Tax from 50 to 66-2/3 per cent. to yield £1.875.000, and to raise the central surcharge on income-tax from 25 to 33-1/3 per cent. to yield an additional £1.425.000.

He also proposed to double the excise duty on matches to produce £1.125.000, to increase the import duty on artificial silk, yarn and thread and to introduce a new 10 per cent ad valorem excise duty on pneumatic tyres and tubes yielding together £532.500.

The total estimated is thus £4.957.500, reducing the prospective deficit to £10 387.500. The uncovered revenue deficit will be met by borrowing.—Reuter.

Bandit Wounds Accomplice

The bravery of a victim, proved by his fight with a member of an armed gang at 665 East Seward Road at 10 p.m. yesterday, resulted in the wounding and arrest of one of the gang. The interesting point of the affray was that the robber was wounded by an accomplice.

The gangsters, five in number and in possession of three pistols, entered the house and intimidated nine persons. They then proceeded to rob the inmates, but one of the latter grappled with one of the bandits. An accomplice tried to free him and fired a shot, missing the intended victim and wounding his colleague.

The miscreants then took to their heels, leaving the wounded man to the mercy of police. Up to an early hour this morning, however, no further arrests were made.

Thirty-eight Americans Leave Yokohama

Yokohama, Mar. 1.

Stopping but five and a half hours to embark 38 American evacuating Japan upon advice from their Government, the liner President Coolidge sailed at 10 o'clock this evening, bound for San Francisco via Honolulu.—Domei.

600 Killed in Iran Earthquake

Teheran, Feb. 28.

Six hundred persons are known so far to have been killed by a terrific earthquake which struck Eastern Iran today.

The Mohammed Abad Khan area suffered the most, it is understood.

Thousands of heads of cattle perished in the disaster, the full extent of which has not yet been ascertained.—Havas Telemondial.

★Accord Said Reached

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Eden Flying to Athens

Budapest, Mar. 1.

Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, left Ankara by aeroplane for Athens to offer an alliance whereby Greece would be bound not to make a separate peace, said a report here from Ankara yesterday.—United Press.

Turkey Said Prepared

New York, Feb. 28.

According to an unconfirmed report from Ankara, Turkey has warned the interested Governments of her intention to declare war should German troops cross the Balkans on their way to Greece.

It is understood that a communication to this effect was sent to the Governments concerned by Foreign Minister Sukru Saraioglu following the recent conversations with Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary.—Havas Telemondial.

London Hails Visit

London, Mar. 1.

The success and vigour of British diplomacy as exemplified by the visit of Mr Anthony Eden and General Dill to the Near East was emphasized by the Press today.

The "Daily Telegraph" declares that the spontaneity of acclamation with which Mr. Eden and General Dill were received in Turkey constitutes a major discomfiture for Nazi diplomacy.

The "Daily Mail" says that the whole empire will welcome the new vigour of British diplomacy as exemplified in Turkey,—"at last we are passing from passive defence to action, in policy as well as in arms.

"Mr. Eden's visit to Ankara is a fine piece of timing and his meeting with the Turkish leaders is at least as spectacular and certainly more convincing than the recent bullet-proofed rendezvous of the dictators. It is pleasant to realize that these stage conspirators have now had to change their roles for those of anxious spectators."

Heartening Statement

It is not a mere coincidence that the successful conclusion of Mr. Eden's talks was immediately followed by the clear warning given to the Bulgarians by Mr. William Rendel. It is indeed heartening to hear a British diplomat speaking so clearly in terms of realities."

The "Daily Telegraph" also praises Turkish diplomacy, saying that she never faltered at the darkest moments of Dunkirk and the Battle of Britain. "No small part of the contribution she can make to the common cause is to keep Germany guessing.

"Her diplomacy has been so adroitly directed that Berlin is disconcerted by doubts as to Turkey's reaction to a drive to Greece through Bulgaria.

"Meanwhile," adds the "Daily Telegraph," storm clouds are thickening rapidly over Bulgaria. German preparations are so advanced that the overt occupation can hardly be long delayed, and it can be taken for granted that this latest aggression will not stop at the furthest confines of Bulgaria. "Should circumstances arise which call for Turkish military intervention, the General Staffs of the two countries have dispositions ready to act in complete understanding."—Reuter.

No Strict Orders To Leave Saigon

London, Mar. 1.

A report from Tokyo that all British subjects have received strict orders to have Saigon is not entirely correct, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent. The truth is that some time ago British subjects in Indo-China who had no very pressing reasons for remaining in the country were advised to leave.—Reuter.

★Bulgaria Joins Axis Pact

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Reports from Sofia this morning say that everything is quiet there except for police and military cordons around the city and the interruption of telephone communications. The British legation is continuing its normal work, but the staff is ready to leave the country at short notice.

The suggestion made by the Italian news agency that the British Minister in Sofia had presented an ultimatum to the Bulgarian Government, declaring that if Bulgaria rejected certain British proposals, Britain would consider herself at war with Bulgaria, is devoid of any foundation, it is stated.

British subjects other than the Legation and Consular staffs have already left the country. The mobilziation of various classes of the Bulgarian army is being continued, as the country prepares for any emergency.

It is officially emphasized in Sofia that these measures of mobilization are a form of "defensive action."—Reuter.

Cabinet Summoned

Budapest, Mar. 1.

The Bulgarian parliament suddenly adjourned yesterday afternoon and a Cabinet meeting was called at 5 p.m., said reports here from Sofia early today.

M. Bogdan Filoff, Premier, conferred with King Boris for half an hour, the report said. Diplomatic sources in Sofia considered the conference of utmost importance, although no communique had been issued concerning it to a late hour yesterday.

Political observers said the recent statement of Mr. George William Rendel, British Minister to Sofia, that Britain soon may sever diplomatic relations with Bulgaria was an ultimatum and would have diplomatic repercussions.

Civilian anti-aircraft units of Sofia were called out at 8.30 p.m. yesterday for anti-aircraft drills.—United Press.

War of Nerves at Height

London, Mar. 1.

These are days of crisis in the Balkans when the war of nerves seems to be at its height, says the Diplomatic Correspondent of "The Times," and the right places for discussing Allied strategy and getting a correct view of events are clearly Angora and Athens, where the spirit of resistance is clear and strong.

"Fortunes shift in the war of nerves as much as in the war of guns. Last week, the Germans seemed to be having their way almost everywhere in the Balkans, except in Greece.

"They were reinforcing in Rumania; they were making fast arrangements for a march into Bulgaria; they were boasting that Yugoslavia was acquiescent, and even proclaiming that Turkey's agreement with Bulgaria was a resounding victory for themselves.

"This week, Balkan nerves, for a number of reasons, are a little steadier. Suspicion grows that the Germans are first seeking to get their way by threatening with violence. They know that if they had to fight the front against them might quickly extend.

German Retreat

"There is probably a clear connection between the British mission's arrival at Ankara and the sudden German declaration, in defiance of all facts, that they are not planning to cross Bulgaria immediately. The Turks have just told the world that they cannot disregard a threat to their zones of security in the Bulgarian hills and along the Ægean shore.

"Bad weather does not account for the way in which the Germans raised their loud sudden cries in many parts of the Balkans that they did not intend to occupy Bulgaria. It looks as though they were clumsily trying to persuade the level-headed Turks that the danger is not imminent and that closer relations with Britain are not necessary," "The Times" correspondent adds.—Reuter.

Newspapermen Arrested

Sofia, Mar. 1.

The British Minister, Mr. George Rendel, made a strong protest to the Bulgarian Premier, Dr. Filoff, last evening against the arrest of a number of journalists, including the correspondent of the London "Times" and two others with British or American connections.

As a result, the arrested men were released.

Strong action by the British Minister here has also secured the release of his butler, who had been mobilized without warning in the early hours of yesterday. The butler was allowed to return to his post later in the day.

The British Minister also discussed with the Premier the extent of Bulgaria's mobilization which, in the British Minister's view, was entirely unjustifiable under present circumstances.

Communications Cut

All telephone lines to foreign countries are at present down.

The statement made by the British Minister yesterday, in which he said that Bulgaria was in danger of becoming a theatre of war, has aroused deep interest here, although Mr. Rendel's words have not yet been published in Bulgarian newspapers.

A report that in his statement the Minister said the breaking off of relations with Bulgaria was very near is unfounded.—Reuter.

Bulgaria Announces Pact

Sofia, Mar. 1.

The Government this morning officially announced that M. Bodgan Filoff, Premier, had departed for Vienna to sign a protocol proclaiming Bulgaria's adherence to the Tripartite Pact between Germany, Italy and Japan.

The city remained quiet under tightening police surveillance.

The outgoing telephone service continued to be interrupted, but reports of mass movements of German troops within the city were not true.

Ten alleged Anglophile Bulgars were arrested on Friday. One of them, M. Michael Padeff, correspondent of the London "Times," was released today.—United Press.

Japan Announces Pact

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

The Information Board tonight announced that Bulgaria had joined the Tripartite Pact at Vienna today.—United Press.

Bulgarian-Greek Breech Seen

Rome, Mar. 1.

While a front-page editorial in the "Popolo di Roma" today said that Bulgaria was forced into the arms of the Axis by British intrigue, the journal's Sofia correspondent reported that a rupture of diplomatic relations between Bulgaria and Greece was imminent.—United Press.

General Hata

Gen. Hata Returning to Central China Command

Former War Minister Will Replace Gen. Nishio

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

Gen. Shunroku Hata, former Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in Central China and later A.D.C. to the Emperor and twice War Minister, has been appointed to his old position of Commander-in-Chief in central China, replacing Gen. Toshizo Nishio.

Gen. Nishio, who has just completed a ten-day inspection tour of North China, has been appointed a member of the Supreme War Council.

Gen. Hata will be remembered as the man who brought down the Yonai Cabinet on a demand by the Army for drastic national reorganization.

It was while Gen. Hata was in command in China that the Japanese captured Kiukiang and Hankow.—Reuter.

★Japan Awaiting French Reply

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This burst of activity followed a two hour conference of Bureau Directors of the Foreign Office this morning presided by Mr. Chuichi Ohashi, to study measures to cope with the situation. The Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka attended the meeting for a period.—Domei.

Matsuoka May See Envoy

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, is expected to summon M. Charles Arsene-Henry, French Ambassador, to Japan, and demand an explanation for "French insincerity," in regard to the Japanese peace proposal, the "Asahi" said today.

Mr. Matsuoka also would again urge Vichy to give speedy and satisfactory reply to Japan over her plan for mediating the Thai-French Indo-China dispute, the "Asahi" said.

Simultaneously, Mr. Matsuoka would strongly warn France that in event France has excessive expectations of Anglo-American assistance and slights Japan's determination "Japan will not be responsible for whatever the resulting situation is," the "Asahi" said.—United Press.

Decoux in Tonkin

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

Vice-Admiral Jean Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China, today inspected northern Tonkin and much significance was attached to this visit because of reports that Chinese troops had entered Indo-China in this area, Japanese reports from Hanoi said today.

Accompanied by the Governor of Tonkin, Admiral Decoux inspected French troops at Hagiang and Tuyenquiang, northern Tonkin, the Japanese reports said. Hagiang is only 60 miles north-east of the Indo-China border town of Laokai.

The Governor-General's trip attracted much attention because of reports that Chinese troops frequently had crossed the border in the area of Hagian the Japanese reports declared.—United Press.

Winant Leaves Lisbon For London

London, Mar. 1.

The newly-appointed United States Ambassador to Britain, Mr. John Winant, has left Lisbon on his way to London to take up his post.

Welcomed in Lisbon, Mr. Winant said he was greatly looking forward to his new post, and added that American aid to Britain was increasing daily.—Reuter.

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British China Envoy En Route Here

Hongkong, Mar. 1.

Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, and Lady Clark Kerr sailed from here today for Shanghai. They flew here from Chungking and expect to return to China's wartime capital in the near future, Sir Archibald said.—United Press.

Alfonso to Be Buried Monday

Hundreds Throng Hotel To Pay Last Respects to Ex-King of Spain

Rome, Mar. 1.

Funeral services for Alfonso XIII former King of Spain, who died here yesterday will be held Monday morning in the Spanish church of Monserrato, according to arrangements today.

Hundreds of persons thronged the lounge of the Grand Hotel, where the ill-starred former king died, to sign the register. Members of the Italian and foreign aristocracy, diplomats, Vatican emissaries and others signed the register.

Alfonso lay in state in the hotel, in the same room in which he died. His remains lay on a low bier, only six inches above the floor. Alfonso was bareheaded and garbed in a white cape of the "Grand Master of the Four Orders," a red cloth was placed over his heart.

The Spanish flag was draped over the body and the room was curtained in black and illuminated by candles. A large crucifix stood at the head of the bier. Two Franciscan monks and four Spanish nuns prayed throughout the afternoon beside the body.

Alfonso died at 11.50 a.m., after suffering a heart attack at 10 a.m.

Members of the family who kept vigil at the bier included Queen Victoria, Don Juan, Alfonso's son who was named heir to the Spanish throne; Don Jaime and Princess Beatrice. Princess Christina was unable to be present as she had returned to Turin only a few days ago. She is an expectant mother.—United Press.

Spain Mourns

Madrid, Mar. 1.

The Spanish Government has declared three days' national mourning starting today for the late ex-King Alfonso, who died in Rome yesterday morning.—Reuter.

U.S. Mediation Plan Suggested

Washington, Mar. 1.

Mr. Louis Ludlow, Democrat of Indiana, yesterday introduced in the House of Representatives a resolution urging President Roosevelt to call a conference of American Republics to offer their services to mediate the European war.—United Press.

Japanese Arrested for Intimidating Merchant

Two Japanese and a Chinese were arrested by the Settlement police yesterday afternoon when the latter received information that the trio had been intimidating a Chinese cotton dealer.

It was learned that the trio threatened the cotton dealer, whose business is on Honan Road, with exposure to the Japanese authorities for being connected with illegal cotton transactions.

The intimidators saw the merchant on two previous occasions, but their mission was not fulfilled. When they came to see him again yesterday, they were arrested and taken to a police sation. The Japanese were turned over to the Consular police, while the Chinese was detained and will face charges of extortion at the First Special District Court.

French Deny Darlan Threatens Britain

Vichy, Mar. 1.

The French Government today published an official communique denying that Admiral Francois Darlan, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister, had said that if the British continued halting, seizing or sinking French freighters, France would declare war on England.

The statement was attributed to Admiral Darlan by an American radio station, the communique said.

The communique insisted that Admiral Darlan had never made such a statement and that the French Government had never taken such a decision.

The report was broadcast by an anti-Vichy radio station, the communique said.—United Press.

Bus Passengers Held Up by Trio

Armed with a pistol and an axe, three Chinese boarded a route 10 bus on Connaught Road yesterday evening at 6.55 and held up about 30 passengers, robbing two of them of their overcoats.

The hold-up occurred when the vehicle was between the China General Omnibus Co. garage and Shing Kong Li. Their job done, the miscreants ordered the conductor to stop the bus and alighted in front of an alleyway, making their escape before an alarm could be raised.

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Welshmen Observe St. David's Day

Shown above are members of St. David's Soceity at the annual wreath laying ceremony at the Cenotaph yesterday morning, on the occasion of St. David's Day. Celebrations this year were quieter than formerly.

St. David's Day Observance

Welshmen Have Quieter Ceremony This Year Than Previously

In common with other British national societies since the beginning of the war the Shanghai Welsh community held very quiet observances of its national day, St. David's Day, yesterday. A wreath-laying ceremony took place at the Cenotaph in the morning, and an informal dinner was held at the Masonic Hall during the evening. Despite this curtailment of the observances however, it was plain that there was no less feeling and sentiment yesterday than in previous years when Welshmen marked their intense loyalty and devotion to their country in a more ostentatious manner.

The departure of the British troops from Shanghai made it impossible to have the usual military escort and buglers at the Cenotaph, although four sailors from H.M.S. Petrel were able to attend the wreath-laying ceremony, and form a guard of honour. About twenty members of the society attended the observance at the Cenotaph marching from the Shanghai Club, led by the President and Vice-President, carrying the wreath. A beautiful yellow wreath was then placed by Mr. J. A. Bonnyman, President of St. David's Society, and Mr. A. J. Evans, Vice-President, at the foot of the monument. The gathering met at 8.30 a.m. for this part of the observance, which follows similar observances all over the world wherever there are Welshmen. After the wreath had been placed on the Cenotaph a two minutes silence was observed.

Although the glitter and ceremony of the customary St. David's Day ball and banquet were missing this year, and a "family gathering" substituted, the feeling behind the dinner was just the same as it has always been. Indeed, at this time when the Empire is striving for victory, it might be said that the affair was truer to the spirit of the society in these times.

The dinner, held in the Masonic Hall, was attended by nearly 100 members of the society, and was strictly informal. There were no official speeches, beyond a few remarks by Mr. J. A. Bonnyman when he proposed the toast of "St. David" the patron Saint of all Welshmen. This toast was acclaimed by those present, as were the few words spoken by Mr. Bonnyman in referring to their Patron Saint.

Although the Welsh community in Shanghai is not large, it is very active, and takes its stand with the larger national societies in assisting Britain as much as possible for a local community. It joined with other British patriotic societies last year in sending a message of good-will to Mr. Winston Churchill when he assumed the position of Prime Minister.

Labour Aggravated by Further Trouble

1,000 Printers Walk Out In Sympathy for Leaders

The number of strikers in the city was increased by about 1,000 yesterday when the workmen of about 30 printing establishments walked out of their jobs as a sign of sympathy for the strikers of the Ong Shing Printing Company at 465/94 Shenhaikwan Road, whose leaders will face the tribunal for staging the attack on the premises a few days ago.

Although the 1,000 men went on strike on Friday evening, the trouble was anticipated before that since it was reported that the workers had threatened to strike unless the leaders were released.

It is also reported that teachers of Chinese schools have voiced their dissatisfaction with the methods of their principals in disposing of funds. The teachers, it is stated, have made several demands and are now awaiting a reply.

Meanwhile, approximately 150 workers of hide and skin shops in the Settlement have returned to work, their dispute having been favourably settled. The strike at the Vienna Knitting Factory in Jansen Road, where 125 workers are idle continues unabated. No settlement is in sight, it is learned. Neither the management nor the strikers wish to make any concessions.

Offer of $3,000,000 For American Club

At an extraordinary general meeting of the members of the American Club held on Friday evening, it was decided to elect a sub-committee of five members with the power to seek a new site for the club before the present premises are sold. No vote was taken at this particular meeting, which was adjourned until the sub-committee is in a position to report on its activities.

An offer of $2,000,000 for the Foochow Road premises has been made by the China Realty Company. A number of members at the meeting were strongly opposed to selling the club, including one of the largest debenture holders, who stated that he would not like to see the premises sold even if it meant that he received no interest on his bonds in the future.

American Banks to Make Service Charge

One-half Per Cent. Per Annum on U.S.$ Accounts

The three local American banks, the National City Bank, the Chase Bank and the American Express Co., have decided to charge a service rate of ½ per cent. per annum, with a minimum charge of U.S. $1 per month on all savings accounts in currencies other than the local dollar. This decision was reached, an official explained yesterday, after the ruling abolishing cheque accounts in U.S. dollars was brought into force. It will become effective from April 1.

It was decided to do away with cheque accounts in U.S. dollars when it was felt by the banks that there was no longer any need for foreign currency accounts in Shanghai, since most transactions can be carried on in local dollars. Those with such cheque accounts had their investments transferred to a savings deposit.

The U.S. dollar cheque accounts were only introduced by the American banks here when local currency was unstable, and businessmen and merchants felt the need of a more substantial unit to facilitate trade. Since then, however, this need has been reduced, and in consequence the system has been withdrawn.

Shanghai Power Co. and Fuel Supplies

Deliveries Equivalent to One-half Consumption

The Shanghai Power Company has informed the Council that fuel deliveries to the company are now inadequate to meet requirements being equivalent only to one-half of current consumption. The company has a reserve stock of fuel equivalent to three months' current requirements which may have to be drawn upon, says an S.M.C. communique.

In view of the time required to devise and enforce the allocation and/or restriction of the use of electrical energy prior to serious depletion of reserve stocks of fuel, the Shanghai Power Company has fully informed the Council of the precise status of its stocks of fuel, anticipated current receipts and the present requirements of its consumers.

Pending some clarification of the problem, the consumers of the Shanghai Power Company are urgently requested in their own interests to make every effort to reduce their utilization of electrical energy and thereby assist in conserving the available stocks of fuel.

Unless relief is immediately forthcoming, it will be necessary to ration supplies of electricity in a manner suitable to the urgency of the situation.

The matter is under consideration by a committee appointed by the Council comprising the following gentlemen, Mr. G. E. Mitchell, Sir Robert Calder Marshall, Messrs. P. H. Bordwell, T. K. Tsutsumi and David Kwok.

Another Chinese Falls Victim to Gunman

Medicine Merchant Killed By Unidentified Assassin

Another name was added to Shanghai's long list of murdered Chinese yesterday at about 10.15 o'clock in the morning when Lee Hoong-ho, well known medicine merchant, was killed by an unidentified gunman in front of Lane 743 in Canton Road, just a few steps from the Grand Hotel and Yu Ya Ching Road.

The attack came suddenly and before anyone could do anything about it, the gunman raised his revolver and fired three shots at his victim. The latter was hit in the head, neck and back. As he slumped to the ground, the assassin took to his heels and disappeared. Although seen by a witness, the description of the murderer was very vague.

An emergency ambulance was called out and the victim of the attack was taken to the Lester Chinese Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

No definite motive for the crime could be ascertained yesterday although it was believed that the murder had been committed on personal grounds. The possibility of political assassination was also mentioned as it was thought that the victim had been connected with some gambling dens in Nantao.

Winning Numbers of Raffle Announced

The results of the raffle held at the St. Tichon's Orphanage ball at the French Club on Frday were announced yesterday. This attraction, which proved to be very successful, had numerous prizes, among them two evening dresses, a pearl necklace, a wrist watch and a silver cigarette box.

The winning numbers were 14, 138, 217, 324, 354, 356, 595, 625, 626, 643, 681, 760, 862, 877, 1135, 1336. Prizes may be obtained on application to St. Tichon's Orphanage at 96 Avenue Victor Emmanuel III, telephone 72795.

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Friday's Russian National Evening officially opened St. Tichon's annual appeal for funds, by which more than a hundred orphans are supported during the year.

Lady Maze is president of the international committee of St. Tichon's, while Mme. J. Barraud was chairman of the ball committee.

Miss Jean Moore
Leaving for Canada. *Stericker*

Flower Girls

Vividly costumed—and highly efficient—were members of the flower and programme selling group, directed by Mrs. E. B. McBain. Included were Miss June Bowden, Miss Marjorie Courtney, Miss Ann Crow, Miss Jill Leith, Miss Lorna Lucas, Miss Kay Lucas, Miss Imogene Newman, Miss Mary Spunt, Miss Nora Reuter, Miss Nina Philippovitch, Miss Frances Long, Miss Marion Henderson and Miss Nina Choglokova.

Large parties were the order of the evening with hosts and hostesses including Lady Maze, Mme. Barraud, Mme. P. P. Yannoulatos and Judge Milton D. Helmick, who combined their parties; Dr. T. B. Dunn, Mr. E. F. Harris, Mr. J. A. Ribeiro de Melo, Mr. Eric Clarke, Mr. G. E. Mitchell, Mr. J. Kindness, Mrs. G. V. Synnerberg, Mr. Charles Grosbois and Miss N. Grosbois.

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Glimpses of the Ball

Mrs. Synnerberg in blue brocade, with filmy sleeves, and a gleaming Russian head-dress; Mrs. Marjorie Beith, who recently returned to Shanghai after a long absence, wearing a frock of silver lace, with voluminous skirt; Mrs. McBain in ivory satin; Mme. A. L. Brusset in pale blue, the skirt of her frock appliqued in a conventional design in deep purple; Miss Patricia O'Kane wearing a cover-up frock of all-white crepe; Mme. Yannoulatos in gold-coloured transparent velvet.

Miss Frances Long—most punctual of the programme sellers—wearing trim Russian boots with her pretty costume; Mr. J. R. Jones; Mr. A. H. George, M. G. W. Boissevain; M. and Mme. A. M. Chapelain; Mr. G. Findlay Andrew, shepherding the indecisive to the auction; Mme. Barraud in all-black, with a scarlet head-dress; Mme. M. E. Martin, her daughter, also in black, with a brilliant orange scarf over her shoulders.

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Stars of the Evening

In spite of keen competition, the stars of the evening were the orphans themselves, thirty well-behaved children in Russian costumes who sang their songs very early and were whisked off to bed.

And the biggest star of all was the smallest child—a mite of about three, wearing a little green apron—who warbled valiantly, throwing in an occasional prima donna gesture for good measure.

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Before The Ball

Very jolly indeed was the cocktail party given by the Misses Kay and Lorna Lucas on Friday evening, their birthday, a perfect prelude to the St. Tichon's benefit at the French Club, attended by many of the guests.

Among those who wished many happy birthdays to Shanghai's attractive twins were Mr. and Mrs. John Berents, Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Riddell, Miss Frances Long, Miss Mary Spunt, Miss Imogene Newman, Miss June Bowden, Miss Marjorie Courtney, Mr. Richard Price, Mr. Ake Hartman, Mr. John Morris, Mr. Denzil Ezra, Mr. Charles de Muralt, Mr. Stanley Hillman and others.

Fashion Note

Our fashion expert (or so he says) has a suggestion to make: Periscopes for Russian balls, when bewitching but towering head-dresses are worn. Not a bad idea!

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Columbia Tradition

Another enjoyable barbecue—one of the most pleasant traditions of the Columbia Country Club—was held last Sunday. Many of the guests, of course, were sailing in the Coolidge so, like most Shanghai parties these days, it was a *bon voyage* affair.

Among those who gathered around the long tables were Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Franklin, Miss Dallas Lee Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Harris, Dr. S. F. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rodger, Mrs. L. K. Taylor, Mr. F. A. Frisk, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bryan, Jr., Mr. Sven Dithmer and many, many others.

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Wearing O' The Leek

Leeks became buttonholes yesterday when members of St. David's Society observed their patron saint's day. Celebrations include a dinner at the Masonic Hall last night and yesterday morning, a wreath-laying ceremony at the War Memoral. The annual service at the Union Church is being held today.

The Welsh language was in evidence at all affairs, which reminds us that in the wartime movement for obliterating names along the railways and highways at Home we hope the authorities spared the famed village of Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllandysilogogogoch.

Well—we hope that is spelled correctly. It took a lot of typing! And if a name like that—shortened to Llanfair P. G. for postal purposes—doesn't foil any Nazi invasion column nothing will.

By the way, when Mr. J. A. Bonnyman, St. David's Society President, was honour guest at St. George's Society tiffin on Thursday, he addressed the assembled Englishmen in Welsh. That floored them!

Mrs. J. R. Maughan
Bound for Hongkong. *Kensington*

Down With It

There has been far too much muttering—in our opinion—about high prices of drinks in Shanghai. But our fair city is a benevolent institution in comparison with Chungking.

A visitor from China's remote wartime capital reports that whisky is $170 a bottle and beer $30 a bottle—when you can get it! The ranks of the "Immortals of the Chinese Wine Cup—" to paraphrase our favourite Chinese poet, Li Tai-po, are enlarging rapidly.

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Legation Dinner

Of international interest was last Saturday's dinner party given by Mr. Eduardo Espinosa y Prieto, Mexican Charge d'Affaires, and his sister, Mrs. Prieto Souza. After dinner, the hosts took their guests to the Mandarin Club.

Guests included Mme. Lebre e Lima, wife of the Portuguese Minister, Count de Tascher, Commercial Counsellor of the French Embassy in Tokyo; and Countess de Tascher; Mr. Carlos de Liz Branquinho, Secretary of the Portuguese Legation; and Mme. de Liz Branquinho; Mr. Yumni Sedes, Secretary of the Turkish Legation; Countess Paszkiewicz, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Gardiner, Miss Vincia Tomaszewska, Miss M. Dimitriades and Mr. Fritz Schick.

Nippon Club Party "N.C.D.N."

Mr. H. Ibusuki, retiring deputy secretary of the Shanghai Municipal Council, was host to an international group of guests at a cocktail party last Tuesday, at which he introduced his successor, Mr. K. Teraoka. Seen above is Major K. M. Bourne with the host and the guest of honour.

Hail and Farewell

Most enjoyable was the cocktail party given last Saturday evening by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Welch in honour of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Arnold, who were married in Manila on February 1, and Mrs. John Foote Rhame, who sailed in the President Coolidge.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold also gave a cocktail party for Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, as did Mrs. L. Sjostedt and her daughter, Miss I. Sjostedt. Mrs. T. O. Schmid entertained at tiffin in honour of the bride.

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At the Jetty

Lt-Colonel William Mayer, U. S. Military Attache, passed through Shanghai last week on his way south from Peiping. Colonel Mayer has fully recovered from his recent serious illness.

Mr. Henri Vetch, a well-known personality in Peiping, returned north last week-end after several weeks in Shanghai, bronzed and fit following his recent stay in Indo-China.

Saturday Night

One of the gayest parties of the last week-end was given on Saturday, with Miss Juanita Griffin and Miss Fern Cavender as hostesses.

After cocktails at the Cathay and a succulent Chinese dinner in the proper setting, the two hostesses took their guests to the French Club.

Among those who shared the fun were Miss Ray Naylor, Miss Louise Willis, Miss E. M. Jacobson, Lt-Colonel E. F. C. Collier, Major S. W. Feeney, Mr. Victor Keen, Mr. Max Stewart, Mr. C. J. Doughty.

Russian National Evening at French Club "N.C.D.N."

Most picturesque ball of the year—and most enjoyable—was Friday's soiree at the French Club in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, which launched the annual appeal for funds. Gay in picturesque costumes, the group above played a major role in the success of the affair, selling programmes, flowers and tombola tickets.

Southward-Bound

Mrs. J. R. Maughan left Shanghai on Thursday for Hongkong, where she will visit her son and daughter, who are living in the Colony. She then plans to go to India to visit friends.

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Wish Me Luck!

"Wish me luck when you wave me good-bye"—at the Customs Jetty, Shanghai, China.

That's our suggestion for a Shanghai theme song, repeated with increasing volume each time another homeward bound ship sails down the gray Whangpoo.

The Jetty was positively teeming on Wednesday when—at least to anyone trusting enough to expect to find a particular person in the mob—the entire international colony turned up to wave off the Coolidge passengers.

"When are YOU leaving?" was the popular salutation. Generally, the questioner was too much in a hurry to listen to the reply. Anxious-eyed women dashed down the ramp, eagerly scanning the crowd for departing friends, clutching flowers in one hand, festively wrapped parcels in the other.

"I'm staying," firmly announced one dowager. And that was that.

Another wailed, "I shopped for Marie this morning—found the loveliest brocade housecoat she wanted—and now I can't see her. What SHALL I do?"

One impulsive traveller, unpinning the little flag on her lapel of her jacket, pressed in on a friend. "Darling, you keep it. You'll need it more than I will, if you're staying!"

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Official Departure

Most feted man in Shanghai during the past few weeks was Colonel J. W. Hornby, who chugged down the river to the Coolidge in H. M. Navy launch, accompanied by the new commandant of the S. V. C., Lieut.-Colonel G. H. Mann.

Among the scores on the chilly jetty to say good-bye were Major K. M. Bourne, Rear-Admiral W. A. Glassford, Colonel DeWitt Peck, Captain H. M. Smyth, Commandant L. Fabre, Commander J. H. Kennedy, Captain N. F. Allman, Mr. Eric Davies.

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Shanghai Signal

Time was—not so long ago, either—when the world called Shanghai the gayest spot in the Orient, associated the port with parties and more parties. Suitable attire: evening clothes. But now, if anyone should ask you what is being worn this season, you could truthfully reply that a seeing-friends-off costume, well equipped with handkerchiefs for waving and wiping the eyes, is essential.

At any rate, EVERYONE was there on Wednesday. Mrs. G. H. Mann, trim in an Oxford grey suit and brown fur coat; Mrs. Cyril Cook, wearing a jaunty jade green peaked hat; Mrs. "Tony" Ricketts—Mrs. A. L. Brussett—Miss Patricia O'Kane, challenging spring with her coat over her arm, trig in tailored tweed.

Mrs. Harry Payne, in all-black, the pale blue of her transparent parasol raised against the drizzle; Miss Weeks, a topcoat over her riding togs, carrying huge bon voyage basket of spring flowers; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Davidson; Mrs. C. M. Wentworth; Mr. Carl Hill, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Collins Mr. A. L. Young, and practically everyone else you can think of—including a calm-faced Buddhist monk, who arrived sheltered by a huge black umbrella, furled it neatly, gazed pityingly at the milling throng, and slipped onto the tender. Destination: Unknown.

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Coolidge Crowd

Among those sailing were Mrs. John Foote Rhame, lovely in pastel tweeds; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Gould, bound for New York; Dr. and Mrs Ashton Laidlaw; Miss Dallas Lee Franklin—whose hosts of friends, flower-laden, failed to find her on the jetty; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Percival, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Sutcliffe and Mr. Robert Bellaire—who dashed for the tender at the last possible second, blue muffler flapping.

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Homeward Bound

Among through passengers in the President Coolidge was Mrs. Marjorie Lecount of Bangkok, whose husband is well-known in Shanghai banking circles. Mr. Lecount now is stationed in the Thailand capital.

Also aboard the Coolidge were Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt, of Hongkong, bound for leave in California. Mrs. Hewitt, the former Miss Mignon Mclay, is the daughter of the late Mr. R. M. Mclay, long-time prominent in Far Eastern banking circles.

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Flash!

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Selby-Walker—listed among the "temporarily missing" for some days—have arrived in Rangoon after seventeen long, long days on the Burma Road. They will return to Shanghai via Singapore.

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Shanghai Blues

After hearing Gershwin's once-radical "Rhapsody in Blue" at last Sunday's Lyceum concert, we still prefer to have the boys from way down yonder—who, like Lovin' Sam come from Alabam or that neighbourhood—play American blues.

Lovely and haunting, however, were the works upon Chinese themes and rhythms by A. Avshalomoff, conducted with telling restraint by the composer. And Mr. Wei Chung Loh, soloist on the er-hu, that plaintive Central Asian violin, was easily the star of the concert.

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Singapore Calling

Dimmer and dimmer grow the cabaret lights of Shanghai. Reason: so many of the brightest stars are leaving for parts known and unknown.

According to one of our correspondents, a goodly dozen of our local Chinese cabaret stars have migrated to Singapore where, introduced in the grand manner in the local press, they have alluring designs on the populace—including the new Australian contingent.

All ready to be glamorous are Miss Sik Nue Lik, "Shanghai's Glamour Girl;" Miss Ting Wei Wei, "the Nightingale of Shanghai"; Miss Zee Lee Tsaing, "Shanghai's Cabaret Queen"; Miss Wong Ban Yang, "the Mae West of Shanghai"; and two others known simply as "The Chinese Oomph Girl" and "The Hot-cha-cha Girl".

Romanization of their names does not sound a great deal like the homely Shanghai dialect. Nevertheless, a warning to the Australians. Shanghai girls are a determined lot.

Washington Birthday Dinner "N.C.D.N."

Gay indeed was the traditional Washington dinner at the Shanghai American School last Saturday, a fancy dress affair. Seen above are a few of the guests, including Miss Hui Chen, Miss Lita Wou, Miss Margaret Hale and Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Rosse.

Congratulations

To Mr. A. L. Davidson, who has received the Order of the Brilliant Jade With Merit from the Chungking Government for his contribution to railway development in China. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, long-time China residents, are due to leave this week-end.

Miss Dallas Lee Franklin
Sailed in Coolidge. *N.C.D.N.*

Highlights

Mr. Chester Fritz was host at a large cocktail party in honour of Mr. R. P. Aikin, before his departure in the Coolidge. And Mr. George Danzy is entertaining a group of friends at tiffin today, at his Hamilton House apartment.

In and Out

Major Kenneth Millar, Assistant British Military Attache, has returned to Chungking. And Mr. T. F. R. Waters left this week-end for Tientsin.

Mr. P. Shaw, treasurer of Hankow's small but enthusiastic Zero Club, is in Shanghai briefly. And Mr. F. A. Fairchild, after a business trip to Manila, is returning to Tientsin. Mr. A. R. Hogg, deserting Tsingtao's beautiful beaches—in summer, of course—is in Shanghai on business.

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Community Dinner

Members of the Swedish Association in China—of which Mr. Einar Edwards is chairman—held their monthly dinner at the French Club last Friday, are making plans for a March celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the association's founding.

The anniversary celebration will be a dinner dance at the French Club and will be held late in March. Date not yet decided.

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Weddings

News has just been received in Shanghai of the marriage of Major J. C. Corbin, of the Welsh Regiment formerly Adjutant of the S.V.C., and Miss Barbara Davies, daughter of the Archdeacon of Monmouth.

It's all very romantic. The bride is a transport pilot—like the late Amy Johnson—and the couple met when Major Corbin, of the Staff College, was assigned to a flight.

Of special interest to Shanghai also is the marriage of Captain Ninian Keith Crawford, of the Buffs, only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Crawford of Shanghai, and Miss Rosemary Crawford Clarke, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clarke, Hartridge House, Cranbrook. The wedding took place at Sissinghurst Church.

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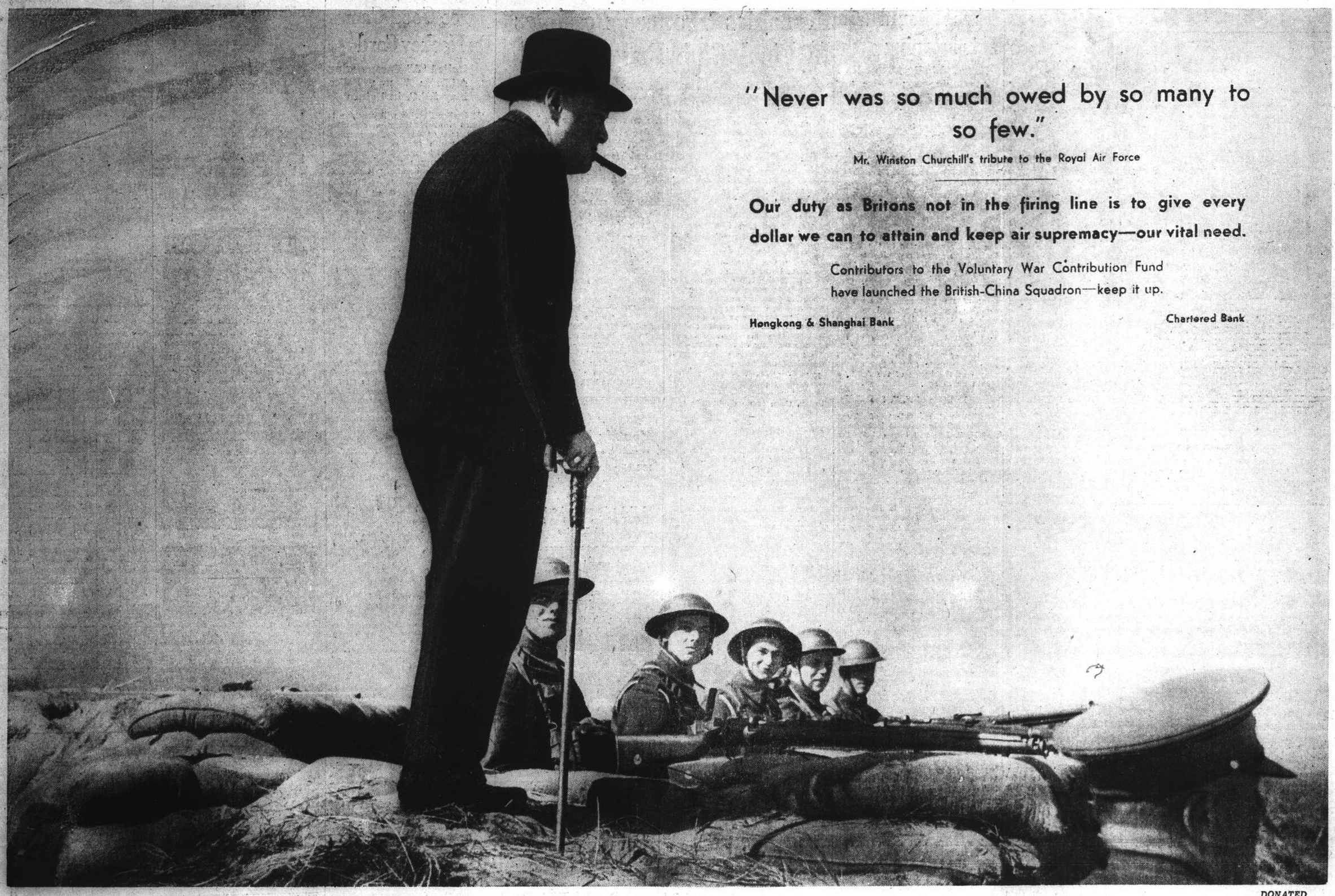

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S.F.B. Chief Officer Issues Annual Report for 1940

Loss of $8,095,992 Recorded at Fires During Year; Reductions in Fatalities and Injuries

ALTHOUGH there was a decrease of 122 fire and special emergency calls in 1940 as compared to 1939, the total being given as 991, losses at fires which the Shanghai Fire Brigade attended within the Settlement and the Special Rated Area were estimated at $8,095,992—an increase of $3,068,694 on the previous year, according to the annual report of S.F.B. Chief Officer. This figure is second largest in ten years. In 1937, due to the Sino-Japanese hostilities here, the total loss was given as $11,685,720.

There were 47 deaths recorded at fires and special emergency calls, all these among civilians, while 205 of them were injured. Injuries to Brigade staff numbered 76. These figures compared favourably with 1939, for they showed reductions of 36 in deaths, 104 in injuries to civilians and sixteen to the Brigade staff.

There was no perceptible improvement in conditions in the areas beyond the western boundary of the Settlement, where the Brigade still lacks control over buildings and industrial operations, for the indiscriminate erection of industrial premises, squatters' huts and other buildings of bamboo, light timber and similar combustible materials, without suitable fire stops or protective measures, continued, and the Brigade attended no less than 65 fires in the district during the year. The special precautions taken to cope with the serious fire hazard remained in force, with certain improvements and closer supervision, and it is undoubtedly due to the measures taken that the fires in these areas were on the whole less extensive than the majority in 1939.

Celluloid Fires

There was a decline in the number and seriousness of fires in establishments manufacturing celluloid articles during the year, for whereas in 1939 there were 20 such fires, which resulted in the death of 23 persons and injury to 40 others, in 1940 the Brigade attended only 12 and the casualties were 3 dead and 2 injured. It is to be concluded that measures adopted by this Department, in collaboration with the Industrial Section and Public Works Department, for the control of the storage and manufacture of celluloid, and the safety of workers engaged in this hazardous trade, were largely responsible for the improvement. This is dealt with in Part IV under Fire Prevention.

Apart from the celluloid fires in the extra-Settlement area a serious outbreak occurred on November 28 in a building of wood construction used for the manufacture of spectacle frames in Lane 972, Ferry Road. The fire spread very rapidly and by the time the first machine arrived a block of about 200 square yards of flimsy, inflammable structures, including a large weaving mill, was a mass of flames. The charred bodies of a Chinese woman and a child were found underneath the debris, and another woman and child were severely burned.

Changes in the S.F.B. staff during the year included three foreign appointments, seven of Chinese cadets and 100 of Chinese firemen. Four foreigners resigned during the period, one was invalided and one died. This was Assistant Workshops Officer S. C. Pemberton, who died suddenly on November 20, after more than twelve years of service in the Brigade. Two members of the Chinese staff, one with 25 years' service and the other with seventeen, also died during the year.

Volunteer Reserve Active

The Volunteer Reserve had the most active year of training since its formation in 1927. A long course of practical drill, attendances at which were exceptionally good, culminated, on November 23, in the first annual competition for the "Smith Team Drill Shield," kindly presented by Capt. S. C. Smith, a member of the unit. The event was very successful, and the manner in which the drills were performed was a credit to the participants, reflecting their keeness and demonstrating that the unit had become established as an efficient and valuable auxiliary of the Brigade.

Long Service Medals (12 years) were awarded to Messrs. T. Hutchison and G. A. Johnston during the course of the year.

During the year 9,460 inspections were carried out in buildings of various classes and occupancies, and 1,910 letters were written on matters relating to their fire protection. This represents an increase of 40 inspections and 71 letters on 1939, which indicates that the same intensity of inspection work has been maintained.

In view of the numerous serious fires connected with celluloid and cellulose spray-painting in 1939, followed by a number of similar outbreaks at the beginning of 1940, the possibility of licensing establishments manufacturing celluloid articles and using cellulose spray-paint was investigated by the Brigade and, with the collaboration of the Industrial Section and the Public Work Department, appropriate Licence Conditions were drafted. The Council approved these and decreed that such premises would be licensed from July 1.

An intensive campaign was then launched by the Inspection Branch against all premises wherein celluloid was either processed or stored, with a view to enforcing the Licence Conditions, and the result was that the great majority of establishments, which were unable to comply with the new requirements, ceased operations in the Settlement. The fire hazard, created by this dangerous trade and the unsatisfactory manner in which it was being conducted, was thus greatly reduced and the measures taken to control the trade were undoubtedly responsible for the remarkable decline in the number of celluloid fires and casualties resulting therefrom.

Increased Cost of Materials

The enormous increase in the cost of imported fire-resisting building materials and fire appliances encouraged local firms to manufacture substitutes and the Inspection Branch was called upon to test numerous products for their fire-resistive qualities the results of which were communicated to the Building Surveyor for his information. Fire-resisting solutions and paints were also manufactured locally and tested by the Brigade. One of the greatest strides made was the local manufacture of a standard sprinkler-head, which stood up to the tests so satisfactorily that samples were forwarded to England by the manufacturer with a view to securing official recognition of the product.

Complaints regarding fire hazards have again caused a considerable amount of work, the number of inspections arising thereform having increased from 235 in 1939 to 318 in 1940. Each complaint was investigated and suitable action taken, and thus many fire and potential life hazards were removed.

Licensed premises were regularly inspected while they were open to the public, and the attention of licensees was drawn to breaches of the License Conditions. The principal contravention was overcrowding, a fact which justifies the close supervision given to all places of public assembly by the Brigade.

Monthly inspections of stationary fire pumps in buildings were continued as far as possible, and in each case a test of the equipment was witnessed by a Brigade representative. Seventeen defects were found during these tests and these were promptly repaired upon being brought to the notice of the building owners concerned.

Traffic Hazards En Route to Fires

Traffic congestion is still acute on certain roads, particularly in the downtown districts during the busier hours, and the progress of fire engines and ambulances is often retarded. The Police, however, continue to render all possible service and the drivers of other vehicles on the whole show consideration and do their utmost to prevent obstructions, with the result that there is remarkably little cause for complaint considering the conditions prevailing.

As a precautionary measure, with a view to using jets for the quelling of disturbances, members of the Russian Detachment of the S.V.C. were trained by the Brigade in the laying of hose and the operation of pumps.

Mr. J. Mustoo of the Tientsin British Municipal Council was attached to the Brigade for an intensive course of fire drill, fire-fighting methods and Brigade organization prior to his taking over command of the Tientsin Fire Brigade.

The relations between this Brigade and those in neighbouring territories were very satisfactory. This Brigade came into contact with these Brigades at fires near the Settlement boundaries, and there was the fullest co-operation between the various detachments.

In conclusion, Capt. H. G. Reed, Chief Officer of the Brigade, expressed his appreciation of the praiseworthy manner in which officers and men had performed their duties during the past year.

American Stake in Present Conflict

Stirring Address Made By Chief Executive of American Pres. Lines

A strong plea for voluntary co-operation among the American people to prepare the United States for any emergency that may arise was made recently by Dr. H. F. Grady, President of the American President Lines, before the San Francisco Advertising Club whose members he addressed on the subject of "National Unity in national Defence." He sounded a warning against the "appeasers' concept" in the foreign relations policy of America and declared that a nation has only two courses open in achieving an effective system of national defence.

Declaring that a nation aspiring to a high degree of preparedness must choose between the iron will of a dictator and the freely-given co-operation of a people governed by the standards of true democracy the speaker added: "Dictators have a great contempt for democracies, because in their opinion democracies dissipate their energies in talk and parliamentary wrangling rather than in action. The conclusion is clearly wrong, however, as history has proved on more than one occcasion. In the final analysis the democratic way is the best way."

Exemplified by Britain

The speaker went on to assert that this has been elaborately exemplified in the case of Great Britain in the war—"Once a democracy is thoroughly roused and organized, it functions much more effectively, and its moral is better than a nation forced to perform at bayonet point. Great Britain is a splendid example of this. Unprepared when war broke out, Britain now has achieved solid national unity, and with it a moral that has won the admiration of the whole world. Even her enemies must respect the spirit of the British people. This magnificent spirit with its attendant co-ordination of the Empire's defence forces was achieved, not by compulsion, but by the will of a free people united in a high common purpose. When this war is over I think the idea will be forever scotched that you can get efficiency only through compulsory regimentation."

Continuing he said: "America has a definite stake in this conflict and the victory is so important to us that we should be willing to help assure it at whatever sacrifices seem necessary. We can take care of the costs later. I don't mean by that that we should ignore the costs; but the situation may be likened to a conflagration threatening the destruction of a community. The important thing is to avert disaster, regardless of the expense; then work out the problem of costs later."

Great strides already have been made in the national defence programme of America he said and speaking of the country's merchant marine he pointed out that every available shipyard today is working to capacity on additional liners to ensure the supply of essential raw materials from abroad. The vessels he said, will all be available if required as naval auxiliary and the shipyards also are turning out additional tonnage for the Navy.

Characterizing the policy of the administration as a far-sighted one he said the Government as far back as 1936 had seen the necessity for the new shipbuilding programme. When the emergency came the country had a great deal of vital national defence work already accomplished.

Identity of Japanese Killers Known

The identity of the two Japanese responsible for the murder of a Chinese servant and the attack on Mr. B. P. Ghatlia, an Indian, at the Carlton Apartments on Wednesday morning because known yesterday. Although their identity was not divulged, it was ascertained that the Japanese S.M.P. were on their trail and an early arrest was expected.

Mr. Ghatlia, meanwhile, was progressing favourably at the General Hospital, where he was taken after his jump from the first floor in an attempt to escape from his assailants.

Chinese Native Banks Involved in Fraud

Managers Charged Over Telephone Installation

Charges of fraud connected with the installation of private telephone lines without the knowledge of the Shanghai Telephone Company were heard in the First Special District Court yesterday against the managers of seven Chinese concerns, including four native banks, a girl guide service and two cotton brokers' firms who were alleged to have bribed employees of the company, who were sentenced by the court some time ago. Judgment in the case was reserved until next Saturday.

It was borne out in evidence produced by the prosecution that one of the native banks spent $7,000 for the installation of a direct telephone line from its offices in Honan Road to the Exchange Building on Central Road.

It was stated that all the lines of the defendant firms were installed by workmen of the company. In admitting the charges the managers of the firms who were all in court except in one case where the defendant was stated to have been kept away by illness, explained that they could not conduct their business without a telephone and had even resorted to illegal means to get it.

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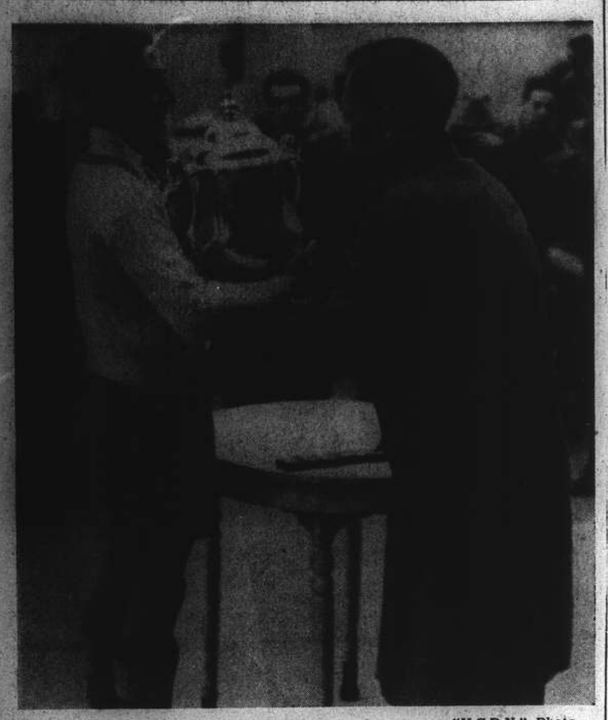

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For The Third Year in Succession

Portugal chalked up a hat-trick yesterday when she won the International Cup for the third time in a row. Here Mr. W. B. Sung is seen presenting the coveted trophy to Humberto Collaco, the Portuguese skipper, at the conclusion of the game.

Portugal Swamp France 5-1 To Win International Cup

Marcus Gaan Gives Sparkling Display to Net All Five Points; Remarkable One-Man Scoring Spree

By Corinthian

WITH speedy Marcus Gaan coming within an ace of netting a double hat-trick, only an off-side goal preventing him from achieving what must indeed be a rare feat in the annals of local soccer, Portugal had little trouble in subduing France by 5-1 yesterday afternoon at the Canidrome in the International Cup final. The winners have now held the trophy for three seasons in succession—a just reward to a team which has risen to great heights this season, at the peak of which they whipped the Chinese aggregation by 6-1 in a sensational game in the semi-final of the same competition.

It was Vasco Souza who scintillated on that occasion—yesterday it was Marcus Gaan's turn to take the limelight and this centre forward made the most of the chances that came his way to string up five goals in a row. This one-man scoring spree was responsible for presenting Portugal with a 5-1 lead at the interval.

Though the score appears to indicate otherwise, the defeated team was by no means entirely out of the picture. On the contrary, the play was decidedly in their favour in the initial period but it was the weakness of their forwards which spelt their downfall. With the exception of Bossuet, the French attack was devoid of any dangerous marksman and many were the chances which were thrown away at the goal-mouth.

Marcus Gaan probably had a bit more freedom than he was entitled to as George Collet, the French right back had his hands full in keeping both Barradas and Vasco Souza under his eye. While succeeding in bottling up these two Portuguese forwards, Collet found the lightning dashes of Gaan too much to cope with without outside assistance.

Fatal French Weakness

Meanwhile at the other end, the French possessed a pair of streaking wings that had the Portuguese defence beaten time after time but their inability to part with the ball to advantage lowered their usefulness to a minimum. It was through this weakness that the under-dogs failed to score more often, as Bossuet—who was itching for one good centre to send the ball tearing into the net—proved of little value to a team where he was starved for passes and had to work his own openings.

Though the French side managed to hold their own before the interval, they faded out of the picture in the succeeding half. Only the superb defensive work put in by Collet, on the full-back line, and Premet, between the posts, prevented the ranging Portuguese forwards from sending the score mounting by leaps and bounds.

Working together to a man, Portugal turned out a team that played as a unit, with individual brilliance being pushed into the background. Outside of Gaan's drives, which appeared to go as straight as an arrow towards the French goal with mechanical regularity, Collaco and Barradas were the most dangerous men in the Portuguese vanguard Collaco contented himself with breaching the rival defence and letting the other members of the attack do the scoring while Barradas's forte was in dropping over precisely placed centres. On the whole, it was a battle between the more scientific tactics of the Portuguese and the potshots of their adversaries.

Hard Working Half-Line

A hard-working half-line took a load off the shoulders of the Portuguese backs with the result that they did not have a very strenous afternoon. Adidi Costa, however, managed to put in some beautiful clearances that kept the French fowards at bay. It was undoubtedly due to Oliveira's tenacious guarding of Bossuet which prevented the threatening French forward from being too much of a menace.

The game was not two minutes old when Portugal went into action to tally their first point. Favacho initiated the successful movement, slipping a pass to Gaan when Premet ran out to intercept. When the French custodian slithered in the mud, the Portuguese centre-forward rammed home the ball.

It needed only this goal to spur the French team into action and for the next 20 minutes, they worked unceasingly to have the Portuguese on tenterhooks on several occasions when the ball hovered around their goal. Kinker sent over a centre, and with only the goalie in front of him, Le Bras shot wide. This was not the only disappointment for the French supporters for soon after, Kinker missed two similar opportunities.

Premet Saves Penalty

In the 20th minute, Collet presented the Portuguese a penalty when he handled the ball, but no goal resulted as Adidi Costa took the kick and drove the ball right into the arms of the French goalkeeper. Despite the force behind the ball, Premet brought off a well-earned clearance.

Denied of a goal through a penalty, the Portuguese went to work to earn their point and two minutes later Collaco was sent through on a fine run together with Favacho. The ball was slipped to Gaan and the latter's unerring drive gave Premet not an iota of a chance. At this stage of the game, Victal was "crocked" when he came into contact with Sinh. He remained at the side-lined for an interval of 10 minutes, during which Collaco took over his position in the defence.

The trailers then netted their sole point of the match in the 34th minute. Kinker was responsible for the point when his long through pass over the heads of the Portuguese defence permitted Bossuet to streak through and boot a scorching shot to the top of the net that had Maurice Souza well beaten.

But the French were not permitted to rest on their laurels as Gaan returned the Portuguese their two-goal lead when he chalked up another pretty goal through a pass from Souza. At half-time, the score was 3-1 in favour of the Portuguese.

Gaan Scores Two More

It took the second half to bring out the sterling points of the eventual winners and as this session progressed the French players gradually faded into the background. Twelve minutes after the restart Gaan presented his side with their fourth point and it was only miraculous luck that prevented the score from mounting more rapidly as the French goal during the next few minutes was the target of shots which missed by bare inches.

Bright combinational play between Barradas and Gaan resulted in the Portuguese running up their fifth point when the ball was brought into the goal area from the left flank. Once again it was Gaan who got his boot to a low oblique shot that baffled Premet in goal. It was a brilliant goal and a worthy climax to Gaan's sparkling afternoon.

School Should Win This Morning

Expected to Beat Tung Hwa At Canidrome; Police are Favoured Against Recs

That the P.T.H. and S.M.P. will win their games today appears to be the popular opinion and, looking back on the displays of these two teams in the past three weeks, one may almost say for certain that no upset will be recorded if such be the case.

The schoolboys will meet Tung Hwa at the Canidrome in the morning. There are many reasons why the Chinese may fall before the aggressive P.T.H. attacking department. One of these is the spectacular awakening of the P.T.H. team is the face of a possible relegation next season. Another is their desire to win. The third is the inclusion of Billy Tingle. This player, although at an age when most of the players hang up their shooting boots, has worked wonders with the team and has given them spirit, something they lacked in their first round matches. One of the most important reasons, however, is the loss of fight shown by the Chinese since their first defeat of the season at the hands of the A.S.F. a month or so ago.

In Spite of N. Z. Lee

Although the quality of Tung Hwa is not known, it is believed that N. Z. Lee will turn out for the team. His inclusion will undoubtedly give the team the required stimulus, but even then the schoolboys are favoured to score a victory. It may be recalled that P.T.H. came within sight of equalizing with the the then formidable Tung Hwa when they met early in November. A changed decision on the part of the referee gave the game away to the Chinese .

The lawkeepers, although still smarting from the defeat sustained at the hands of the P.T.H. in the Skottowe Cup semi-final, are picked to beat S.R.C. this afternoon at the Race Course. The Recs are on the decline and unless a miracle is performed this afternoon or the pillars of law field a depleted team, the victory will go to the S.M.P. The latter won the first round match from the Recs by 4-2, after Bulldeath had been carried off the field, having sustained an injury in collision with Bader.

Since then, the S.R.C. have been on the downward path, losing time and again even to the weakest teams in the First Division. The police, on the other hand, have strengthened their forward line by including Novgorodoff.

Probables Trounce Possibles In Final Club Rugger Trial

Disappointing Form Displayed by Both Sides; Second Half More Even After Several Changes

A DULL uninspiring sort of game was seen under drab conditions at the Race Course yesterday afternoon by a handful of spectators and instead of the exhilarating and spectacular encounter that was fully anticipated when the senior Club players met for the right to decide positions in the Club v. Shanghai Japanese Rugby Association 1st XV next Sunday, a decidedly poor match was seen, hardly any of the members concerned performing with the slightest "devil". The Probables won more or less as they liked by the overwhelming margin of 23 points (one goal, one penalty goal and five tries) to three (one try), but as four of the players changed sides at the interval, the score gives little indication of the actual superiority of the winners.

Actually the Possibles were no match for the winners and though in the second half they allowed their opponents to score only one try, it was quite obvious to all present that little interest was being taken in the game. Perhaps it was the fact that it was an inter-Club clash and if memory serves one right, it seems that the majority of these inter-Club affairs are invariably played with a nonchalant, apathetic air.

Neither fifteen was at selected strength and though not one player enhanced his reputation on yesterday's display, there is no doubt that Sim, Kennedy, Thornley, Yanus, Pow, R. U. Reynolds, Boyd and MacKay cannot be excluded from the team to meet the Japanese. Thomas played quite well in the first half but was not so effective after the interval when he changed from the Probables to the Possibles in order to lessen the size of the defeat for the latter team but he did more than enough to ensure his place in the 1st XV. Knight played well for the Possibles (he changed to the Probables during the second half) but was inclined too often to run across the field instead of going straight. Sayle did some good work but is in need of more practice. Whaley, Wheeler, Chadwick and Seaby of the losers side tried hard but they could not get organized and therefore were able to offer little opposition to the winners.

Dull and Unexciting

Play throughout the encounter was more or less dull and few exciting incidents were seen. Right from the beginning it was obvious that the winners were going to do just as they liked but had they taken their chances as they should have done then they should have scored at least forty points prior to the interval.

In the first three minutes R. U. Reynolds scored a penalty from an acute angle while a minute later Kennedy scored near the posts with a nice swerving run after a useful passing movement among the backs. He should have been grassed, however, upon receiving the ball. The Possibles held their opponents scoreless for the next ten minutes after which Kennedy again scored near the posts following some good handling among the three-quarters. Reynolds kicked the goal. Five minutes after this Sim, from a set scrum, went round on the blind-side from 20 yards and wriggling and dummying his way through scored for out. A little later Knight, who had been trying very hard for the Possibles, scored to reduce the leeway after a nice burst from 25 yards but the kick failed. Reynolds and Boyd scored unconverted tries for the Probables before the interval after the spade work had been done—and done well—by Sim and Thomas. At the interval, when it was manifest that it was useless carrying on with the game with the sides unaltered since it was so one-sided, Yanus and de Franck ((Probables) changed with Chadwick and Whaley while Sim and Thomas (Probables' halves) altered positions with Bloomfield and Knight.

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Consul-General Kicks Off

M. Roland de Margerie, the French Consul-General in Shanghai, sets the ball rolling with a mighty kick, while Gaan watches on the left.

Second Half More Even

These changes improved the game insofar as it was no longer so one-sided and for long periods the Possibles more than held their own. A lack of dash and initiative on the part of the losers' threequarters, however, spoiled every chance that came their way. Sim and Thomas tried hard to get their attack on the move but apart from these two little can be said for the attacking abilities of the rest of the team.

Only one try came in the second half when, in the eleventh minute, Boyd crashed over for an unconverted try. Thereafter the Probables seemed to be satisfied and they slacked off more than ever content that they were far superior to their friendly foes.

Hungjao Golf Club Monthly Results

February Through The Month

18 Holes Running Pool *v.* Bogey

	H'cap	Score
E. A. Meyerink	9	All Square

30 Entries

18 Holes Running Pool *v.* Par

H. G. Banham	15	5 Down

25 Entries

Three Good Games On Hockey Card

United "A" Encountering All-India Team; Police Play J.R.C. in Return

If Jupiter Pluvius will continue to behave himself today a sparkling programme of three hockey matches, all of which are of the highest calibre, will be played this afternoon and should make ample reparation for the many desultory week-ends of this winter.

Of premier interest will be the All-India tussle with the United "A" Being a return engagement some scintillating hockey should be seen. The Indians will be out to avenge their defeat of December 28, when they were without the services of the Sikh Police players. But with such a valuable acquisition in their line-up as Mohan Singh, the deadly centre-forward of the Police "Corinthians," as the spearhead of attack, the chances of the Indians are immediately multiplied.

Meanwhile the United continue to boast of a strong line-up which is almost identical to that of their previous match. The loss of their trusty intermediate-liner, S. T. Berglof, has upset the line-up somewhat. J Remedios has been elected to fill his place and with E. V. Chanturai and P. R. Kermani should constitute a reliable second line of defence and a strong source of aggression. The team's defence is further strengthened by the pair of sturdy backs, K. M. Pate and R. Watson, while the veteran of many years, J. P. Jones, will take his place between the posts.

The complete teams in this match follow:—

United "A": J.P. Jones; K. M. Pate, R. Watson; E. V. Chanturai, P. K. Kermani, J. Remedios; R. C. Murray, J. Hethrington, P. Bojesen, S. Reuben, H. Bojesen.

Shanghai All-Indian: Utem Singh (Gaol); Gurmukh Singh (Gaol), P. S. Kung (Khalsa); Jagir Singh (Police), Arjan Singh (Khalsa), Ilam Din (Gaol); Chanan Singh Sandhu (Khalsa), Sujan Singh Smart (Khalsa), Mohan Singh (Police), Karam Din (Khalsa), Sapuran Singh (Khalsa).

In view of the reinforced strength of the All-Indian team and the close tussle in their previous encounter, a thrilling match should be seen this afternoon which should draw a good crowd. The inclusion of Mohan Singh in the forward line should make a big difference in the attacking department while the reliable Jagir Singh whose consistent good form in the Police matches has made him a logical choice as a member of the half line, adds to their strength.

Besides this match there are two other tilts which should attract more than casual interest. In another encounter the J.R.C. "A" will be out to avenge their defeat at the hands of the Police, while the latter will also be making every effort to prove that their previous victory was no mere flash in the pan. The third engagement, although it is between two elevens of the same Club, should also be well worth watching as it will see the S.H.C. Harlequins pittied against the Crusaders.

The complete schedule follows:—

3.00 United "A" *v.* Shanghai All-Indian
3.00 Police *v.* J.R.C. "A" (G.G.6)
3.00 S.H.C. "Harlequins" *v.* S.H.C. "Crusaders" (R.G.7)

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Sam Holer; 2, Dai Wu Day.
Also ran:—Box Fan, Slippery Sam, Princeton, State Lottery.
2 lengths.—Time, 19.09.
Win, $31.20. Forecast 5-1 Div. $$194.
Place, 1st $12.30; 2nd $21.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Mr. Hattagee; 2, False Lover.
Also ran:—Stolen Quota, Bebben, Summer Swallow, Young Talgal.
1½ length.—Time, 27.24.
Win, $16.20. Forecast 5-4 Div. $41.80.
Place, 1st $9.70; 2nd $8.30.
Double Event 1/2 5-5 Div. $35.90.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Golden Rock; 2, Don't Falter.
Also ran:—Sandy Willie, High Brow, Sans Souci II, Gerat Rambler.
7 lengths.—Time, 26.70.
Win, $17.20. Forecast 6-2 Div. $133.30.
Place, 1st $11.20; 2nd $18.20.
Double Event 2/3 5-6 Div. $27.90.

4—300 yd. flat.—1, Fulover; 2, Odin.
Also ran:—Send'm Along High Collar, Shenkoland II, Grayzeb.
½ length.—Time, 31.51.
Win, $26.80. Forecast 5-6 Div. $82.50.
Place, 1st $17.60; 2nd $17.30.
Double Event 3/4 6-5 Div. $35.80.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Paddy Brown Eyes; 2, Fu Aishiun.
Also ran:—Star Boy, Our Fortune, Blue Moon, Golden Dawn.
3½ lengths.—Time, 30.99.
Win, $22.60. Forecast 6-1 Div. $51.70.
Place, 1st $8; 2nd $8.
Double Event 4/5 5-6 Div. $53.80.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Belle O'Siccawei; 2, Sou Mei.
Also ran:—Golden Annie, Shanghai Mist, Some Fun, Miss Hummer.
1 length.—Time, 30.91.
Win, $11.10. Forecast 6-2 Div. $41.90.
Place, 1st $8.80; 2nd $11.90.
Double Event 5/6 6-6 Div. $18.50.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Whitey; 2, Captain Cora.
Also ran:—Peerless Special, Felicity, Reno Beacon, Open Banner.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.34.
Win, $15.80. Forecast 6-3 Div. $41.20.
Place, 1st $7.80; 2nd $9.60.
Double Event 6/7 6-6 Div. $16.10.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Best Candidate; 2, Cheerful Miss.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.38.
Win, $34.90. Forecast 6-5 Div. $97.70.
Place, 1st $16.50; 2nd $15.30.
Double Event 7/8 6-6 Div. $39.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Don't Forget; 2, Village Attorney.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.17.
Win, $9.40. Forecast 4-5 Div. $35.80.
Place, 1st $7.60; 2nd $12.20.
Double Event 8/9 6-4 Div. $21.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Opera Eve; 2, Royal Rebel.
4 lengths.—Time, 30.46.
Win, $13.10. Forecast 1-3 Div. $90.80.
Place, 1st $8.70; 2nd $8.70.
Double Event 9/10 4-1 Div. $21.

Two New Race Tracks

Two new race tracks in southern New Jersey are expected to get the approval of the State Commission—reads a report from America. One is near the Camden airport, while the other is at Atlantic City. The Commission is studying the proposed sites. The only licence granted so far by the Commission in its eight months existence is held by the Monmouth Park Association at Oceanport.

Ladies International Hockey Today

The long anticipated ladies International Knock-Out hockey competition will commence this afternoon when the first match of the series will take place at the Race Course this afternoon, starting at 2.30 p.m.

This afternoon's match will feature the British "Reds" and Palestine and in view of the fact that the loser will be eliminated from further competition both sides will make a strong bid for victory. It is difficult to see the British side being defeated as their line-up is simply bristling with strength while the Jewish team, though drawing their players from several Clubs, is largely composed of "B" division players.

The teams in this match are as follows:—

British "Reds:" Mrs. G. Weston; Mrs. F. Wood, B. Cumine; Miss E. A. Bloomfield, Miss P. Petigura, Miss A. McKeith; Miss J. Picozzi, Miss. B. Gray, Mrs. N. Chadderton (captain), Mrs. J. Wheeler, Miss A. Ahmed.

Palestine: B. Beraha J. Lifshitz, J. Plotkin; S. Deitch, S. Schrantz; S. Plotkin; E. Saul, F. Gabriel, P. Medovoy, F. Gershevitch, C. Hanin.

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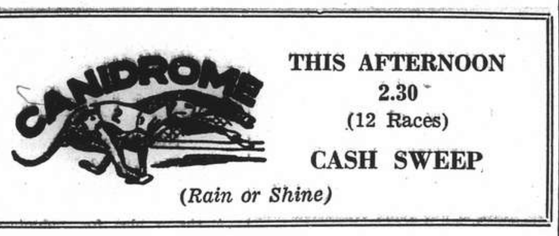

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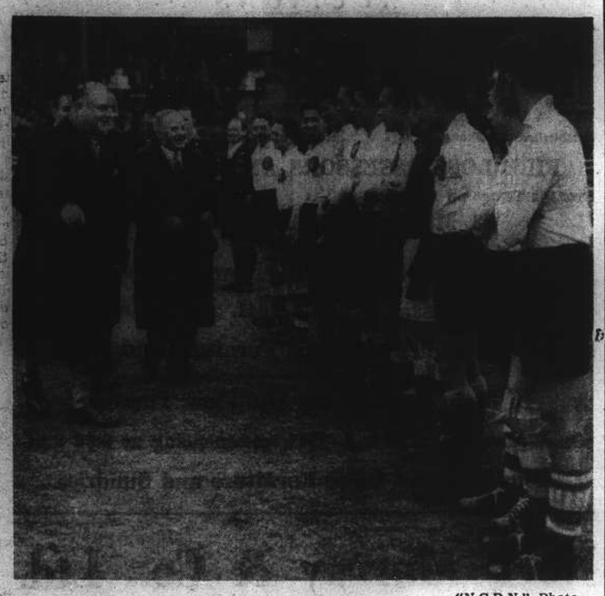

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He Brought Them Luck

Dr. Rebeiro de Melo, the Portuguese Consul-General in Shanghai, wishes his national team the best of luck before the start of yesterday's International Cup Final.

Excellent Racing Seen in Season's Opening Meet

Cluniehill Qualifies for Spring Champions; Riding Honours Go to Encarnacao with 3 Wins

By "The Chaser"

THE stands of the Race Club were once again filled yesterday afternoon with the usual large crowd of racing enthusiasts who turned out en masse to welcome the opening of the Spring racing season, and if the expression on their countenance may be taken as any indication of complete contentment, yesterday's racing was in every way a grand success, though an overcast sky and bitter, cold spell did try to "freeze" the occasion.

The greater majority of the public also started off the season on the right foot as favourites and well fancied ponies were particularly kind by fully justifying the confidence placed in them and running true to form in seven races out of nine. Punters were caught totally out of focus in only one race but those who had the good fortune to hit the nail on the head were rewarded with a neat three figure dividend.

It was indeed a great pity that the course, still suffering from the rains of the last few days, was very much on the soft side, though it cannot be said that it was entirely heavy. Times were consequently on the slow side but if allowances are made for the state of the turf they may be said to be quite competitive.

Cluniehill Wins Big Event

The *piece de resistance* was the Dublin Stakes and out of a field of eleven starters Cluniehill, assisted by A. V. Striker in the saddle, had the distinction of being the first "quality" pony to qualify for the Spring Champions. Seeing that Night Express was among the starters it cannot be said that the race was not truly run, but quite on the contrary it was the question of the fittest pony winning. Staving off Democratic Prince's strong opposition, with a short spurt in the last hundred in gallant response to his rider's pressure he again drew away to gallop past the post with a length and a half to spare. Bagshot, in the meanwhile, was experiencing streneous difficulties in keeping ahead of Silver Fox to retain third place.

A very creditable performance indeed was the running of Silver Fox who, though unplaced, left no doubt in the minds of the racing public as to his present fitness, and with a little more weight off, he will give the best first-raters a hard run. In finishing fourth he erased all arguments regarding his win in the S.P.H.C. meeting being a fluke, but there are still many who are of the opinion that he is no match against yesterday's winners on a bone dry course.

Encarnacao Heads The List

Some clever race riding was seen when "Charlie" Encarnacao showed the youngsters a thing or two about riding a finish. Displaying his technique to full advantage he once again headed the list of winning jockeys with an impressive record of three wins, one second and a third, T. C. Woo was close on his heels, however, and should be congratulated on his two wins, as it was the exact number he required to emerge from the red to the black letter class of jockeys. Congratulations are also in order to A. H. "Red" Laidlaw who should long remember yesterday's meeting as he, after numerous desperate attempts, managed to win his first race. He rode good race to annex premier honours on San Carlo to win the Chentenham Steeplechase.

The only outsider to set the punters back somewhat was Golden Park who romped home the winner in the last race of the day to reward his happy backers with a satisfactory dividend of $133.60 for each five dollar ticket in the win pari-mutuel, while in the forecast pool the winning combination of Golden Park and Merry Maid paid the very attractive return of $452.80 to the 21 lucky ticket holders.

Raging Favourite Fails

The only raging favourite to fail was Bluegrass who, after leading the entire distance, could not cope with Tanda's spirited burst of speed in the last hundred yards and was forced to concede first place and the satisfied with second. Tanda was far from being an outsider and, though not as heavily supported as Bluegrass and Daintyfoot, paid the sum of $55.20. Third place fell to Daintyfoot.

A large dividend would have been paid in the forecast pool had Charming Swift succeeded in defeating Un-Un-Un in the thrilling finish of the sixth event, and on the running of the race, the majority of the general public were of the opinion that the verdict should have been reversed. Charming Swift, after trailing the field for the entire distance of eleven furlongs, streaked through on the outside like greased lightning to challenge Un-Un-Un, eventually losing only by the bare margin of a head.

The "Cire" stable, who had a bleak season last Autumn, started the spring well with two wins. Their first win was through Sunnylight who, ridden by Encarnacao, was rushed opposite the stands to pass Charming Bill and, though boring in badly, managed to hold his lead and win by a head. The remaining berth was filled by a little fancied pony in Breezylight. Benlight gave the stable their second win by taking first honours in the Limerick Stakes. Though only a length separated him from his nearest rival, Honeymoon Gift, he appeared to have more in reserve.

1.—THE CHELTENHAM HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE. From Loong-Fei Gate, Once Round & In.
San Carlo (E. H. Browne) 157 A. H. Laidlaw 1
Steve Brodie (C. S. Franklin) 157 H. Azadian 2
Slipus (E. Andrews) 146 Duncan Faser 3
Won by 2 lengths; many lengths.
Win, $27.80. Places, $10.80, $9, $26.60.

2.—THE POWERSTOWN NOVICE STAKES. ½ mile.
Bye Bye (T. Y. Tsoung) 157 T. C. Woo 1
The Titmouse (Winsome & Hasty) 144 Duncan Fraser 2
Larne (A. H. George) 155 G. R. Cheape 3
Won by ¾ length; a neck.
Time, 1.02⅘ sec.
Win, $13.80. Places, $7, $11.20, $8.40.

3.—THE LEOPARDSTOWN STAKES. 1 mile.
Sunnylight (Cire) 155 C. Encarnacao 1
Charming Bill late Beautylight (Charming) 155 T. Y. Woo 2
Breezylight (W. B. Hughes) 152 G. R. Cheape 3
Sweep: (1) 85, (2) 466, (3) 1323.
Unplaced: 517, 804, 1363, 295, 881, 1097, 944, 563, 1338, 586.
Won by a head; 2 lengths.
Time, 2.12⅘ sec.
Sweep: $1105.44; $135.84; $157.92; $39.48.
Win, $16.80. Places, $8.40, $9.20, $23.60.

4.—THE BALDOYLE STAKES. 1¼ mile.
Rearmament (Jim) 154 C. Encarnacao 1
Charming Beauty (B. H. Wong) 154 T. L. Wong 2
Red Ike (Anvil) 155 G. P. Gram 3
Sweep: (1) 8, (2) 561, (3) 452.
Unplaced: 1349, 594, 1249, 1060.
Won by 2 lengths; ½ length.
Time, 2.51⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race AM. Div. $46.80.
Sweep: $1172.64; $335.04; $167.52; $104.70.
Win, $15.80. Places, $5.20, $5.40, $5.20.

5.—THE LIMERICK STAKES. 1 mile.
Benlight (Cire) 158 C. Encarnacao 1
Honeymoon Gift (Cab) 155 E. B. Cumine 2
Lal Golab (Lal-Divy) 152 G. P. Gram 3
Also ran:—Flyaway (H. Azadian), Don Blanco (A. Noodt), Bober (Gabor Renner).
Sweep: (1) 111, (2) 517, (3) 1462.
Unplaced: 1294, 1220, 1232.
Won by 1 length; 1 length.
Time, 2.08⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race T11. Div. $34.
Sweep: $1221.36; $348.96; $174.48; $145.40.
Win, $12.80. Places, $6.60, $7, $9.20.

6.—THE MALLOW STAKES. 11 furlongs.
Un-Un-Un (G. J. Mary) 155 J. Pote-Hunt 1
Charming Swift (Charming) 155 T. Y. Woo 2
Fairylight (Cire) 161 C. Encarnacao 3
Also ran:—Mr. Bubbins (Gabor Renner), Don Ronco (A. Noodt), National Beauty (P. Y. Yong).
Sweep: (1) 1479, (2) 1384, (3) 790.
Unplaced: 946, 473, 1324.
Won by a head; 3 lengths.
Time, 3.02⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race U11. Div. $203.40.
Sweep: $1244.88; $355.68; $177.84; $148.20.
Win, $30.60. Places, $9.20, $12, $7.20.

7.—THE ANZAC STAKES. ¾ mile.
Tanda (Sing Lee) 146 A. Noodt 1
Bluegrass (Valley View) 155 J. Pote-Hunt 2
Daintyfoot (Foot) 155 Y. S. Chang 3
Also ran:—Senorita (T. C. Woo), National Witch (Chen Poo), Fisherlass (Gabor Renner), Fairyray (G. R. Cheape).
Sweep: (1) 198, (2) 1290, (3) 55.
Unplaced: 773, 297, 1074, 737.
Won by 1½ length; 1½ length.
Time, 1.19⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race AN. Div. $78.20.
Sweep: $1378.44; $393.84; $196.92; $123.07.
Win, $55.20. Places, $6.60, $5.20, $5.80.

8.—THE DUBLIN STAKES. 11 furlongs.
Cluniehill (Clunie) 155 A. V. Striker 1
Democratic Prince (Jim) 154 C. Encarnacao 2
Bagshot (A. S. Henchman) 155 J. Pote-Hunt 3
Also ran:—Silver Fox (H. Azadian), Flyinglight (A. Noodt), Corps Cavalry (E. B. Cumine), Fairy Starling (H. P. Chanson), The Swallow (E. J. Bell), Busted Straight (Y. S. Chang), Night Express (Gabor Renner), Peach Pie (R. E. Nash).
Sweep: (1) 410, (2) 235, (3) 920.
Unplaced: 567, 1019, 1229, 974, 89, 1296, 496, 208.
Won by 1½ length; ½ length.
Time, 2.59⅘ sec.
Sweep: $2625; $750; $375; $117.18.
Win, $15.60. Places, $6.60, $12.40, $7.20.

9—THE IRAMOO STAKES. 7 furlongs.
Golden Park (Park) 155 T. C. Woo 1
Merry Maid (C. S. Mao) 155 T. Y. Woo 2
Leading Lady (Mikrofon) 155 Y. S. Chang 3
Also ran:—Megalie (Tommy Chi), Maryland (T. L. Wong), Union Pacific late National Holiday (P. Y. Vong), Rosalie (C. Encarnacao) Midnight Star (L. C. Kew), Evangeline late Candy Kid (Gabor Renner).
Sweep: (1) 254, (2) 58, (3) 316.
Unplaced: 1409, 879, 54, 380, 483, 301.
Won by ¾ length; 3 lengths.
Time, 1.37⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race V9. Div. $452.80.
Sweep: $2650.20; $757.20; $378.60; $157.75.
Win, $133.60. Places, $14, $7.40, $6.80.

Final Records and Averages In City Ten Pin League

High Marks Shattered as Bowlers Eclipse Previous Years' Standard; Gonsalves Wins on Nine Pins

FROM the final official averages and records in the City Ten Pin League series sponsored by the Shanghai Bowling Congress the standard this season eclipsed all previous years as many new high marks were registered in everyone of the divisions. Stortz of the Marine "Greens" is credited with the high single of 279, thirty-one pins ahead of the Seniors' best.

In the "A" Division, "Mano" Gonsalves captured the individual average prize despite Dolinsek's brilliant rally in the last game when he turned in a triple of 647. The team marks went to the American Club who finished in the runner-up position, five games behind the Incas.

Uhlinger of the Marine Officers won the individual average tussle in the Maple Section as well as the triple, with Nance chalked down with the Season's single. The Race Club broke into the League records on their final appearance with a team single of 956. The triple fell to the "Y" Luckies.

Interest in the Pine Section was at its height in the closing stages of the series with the final issue resting between the Marine "Greens" and the "Y" Flukes. A couple of reverses towards the end on the part of the latter, gave the Leathernecks a lead which they maintained to the end on a series of shutouts. The honours in this division were divided between the Greens and the Blues, with Long at the top of the averages.

The final statistics follow:—

Men's "A" Division

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf.
Foreign Y.M.C.A.	19	5	.7917	21096
American Club	14	10	.5833	20453
Shanghai Race Club	12	12	.5000	20296
U.S.M.C.	11	13	.4583	20580
Columbia Country Club	4	20	.1667	19154

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, Lurton		248
Individual Triple, Elliott		647
Individual Triple, Dolinsek		647
Individual Average, Gonsalves		182 12/24
Team Single, American Club		1015
Team Triple, American Club		2853

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	Trip.	Total Pinf.	Average
Gonsalves	213	610	4380	182 12/24
Dolinsek	247	647	4371	182 3/24
Butler	220	573	4327	180 7/24
Elliott	235	647	3584	179 4/20
Klovekorn	214	574	3218	178 14/18
Quinn	227	600	4211	175 11/24
Pote-Hunt	227	577	4199	174 23/24
Kohnert	223	629	3142	174 10/18
Inwood	202	564	2093	174 5/12
Kew, A.C.	217	605	4162	173 10/24
Taylor	244	609	3462	173 2/20
Krause	194	543	4103	171 4/24
Krencicki	212	577	2577	171 12/15
Kew, L.C.	195	568	4091	170 11/24
Clark	212	551	4084	170 4/24
Cochran	195	574	2548	169 13/15
Gray III	211	532	4039	168 7/24
Hilden	210	574	4037	168 5/24
Rafes	253	585	3672	168 8/23
Augustyn	224	638	3857	167 16/23
Squires	231	568	3952	164 16/24
Lurton	248	573	3892	162 4/24
Novak	192	538	2441	162 11/15
Hale	190	550	3881	161 17/24

"B" Division—Maple

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf.
C.C.C. "Bears"	25	5	.8333	24749
Marine Officers	19	11	.6333	24,382
Y.M.C.A. "Luckies"	17	13	.5666	24,259
Shanghai Race Club	14	16	.4666	23,875
U.S.M.C. "Reds"	8	22	.2666	23,59[illegible]
American Club	7	23	.2333	22,111

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, F. Nance	217
Individual Triple, Uhlinger	593
Individual Average, Uhlinger	173 8/30
Team Single, S.R.C.	956
Team Triple, "Y" Luckies	2683

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	Trip.	Total Pinf.	Average
Yuson	205	581	1445	180 5/8
Uhlinger	214	593	5198	173 8/30
Bourne	205	560	4086	170 6/24
Chanturai	203	576	4560	169 17/27
Squires, R.	215	569	5057	168 17/30
Huppmann	210	528	4685	167 9/23
Xavier	207	522	4652	166 4/28
Bojesen, P.	210	547	2998	166 10/18
Hartnett	212	545	2971	165 1/18
Freeny	208	559	4925	164 5/30
Nance, F.	217	577	4922	164 2/30
Dalton	215	560	3775	164 3/23
Cooper	206	545	4075	163
Le Clair	208	553	4884	162 24/30
Watton	213	533	2770	162 16/17
Parry	193	519	3694	160 14/23
Bennett	199	565	4634	159 23/29
James	202	477	1578	159 6/8
Swan	205	521	4607	158 25/29
Ohlsson	201	555	3485	158 9/22
Dobrenky	215	501	3159	157 19/20
Pickup	214	531	4358	155 18/23
Stimmar	208	521	4343	155 3/28
Brisk	182	506	4016	154 12/26

"B" Division—Pine

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf.
U.S.M.C. "Greens"	22	8	.7333	23,833
Y.M.C.A. "Fluckes"	18	12	.6000	23,453
U.S.M.C. "Blues"	17	13	.5666	23,634
Swiss Club	17	13	.5666	23,098
U.S.M.C. "Whites"	9	21	.3000	21,781
C.C.C. "Bulls"	7	23	.2333	22,133

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, Stortz	279
Individual Triple, Black	617
Individual Average, Long	172 4/27
Team Single, U.S.M.C. "Greens"	973
Team Triple, U.S.M.C. "Blues"	2605

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	Trip.	Total Pinf.	Average
Long	223	602	4648	172 4/27
Stortz	279	614	3520	168 16/23
McGinley	223	555	4899	163 9/30
Eisenhut	205	568	4753	163 26/29
Mudry	211	540	4557	162 21/2[illegible]
McMahon	213	557	4832	161 2/[illegible]
Taylor	174	483	483	161
Lorenzen	192	529	4827	160 27/30
Gorman	248	540	4632	159 21/29
Willis	218	534	4756	158 16/30
Ladd	205	538	4433	158 9/28
George	228	558	3951	158 1/25
Black	232	617	4409	157 13/2[illegible]
Janecek	198	521	3947	157 22/25
Petrusky	194	524	2834	157 8/1[illegible]
Gallop	215	549	4707	156 27/30
Harrison	189	506	3750	156 6/24
Schilling	198	554	3572	155 7/23
Lamb	189	498	2787	154 15/18
Mottu	199	510	4462	153 25/29
Forsythe	200	502	4137	153 6/27
Bolliger	190	501	4522	152 22/30
Conrady	176	503	760	152
Kengelbacher	233	557	3943	151 17/26

Hongkong Races Concluded

Hongkong, Mar. 1.

Mr. Necan's United Express, winner of the Rooty-Hill Derby, captured the "double" today by finishing first in the Australian Subscription Champions, the feature event of the closing day of the Hongkong annual race meeting.

The full results of the day's racing were:

1.—Caulfield Stakes. One mile.
Miss Li Po Chun's A Luxurious Time (Hearne) 1
Lan's Prairie View (Pih) 2
Why's National Courage (Tao) 3
Time, 1.48⅘ sec.

2.—Flemington Plate. One mile. (1st Section)
Toots' A Surprising Time (Black) .. 1
C. H.'s Black Seal (Chao) 2
L. W. S.'s Corsair (Botelho) 3
Time, 1.51 sec.

3.—Nil Desperandum Stakes. About 1 mile 171 yards.
Collene's Sam's Choice (Black) 1
Marber 1's Charlesber (Chao) 2
Iron's Iron Beauty (Wei) 3
Time, 2.10⅘ sec.

4.—Happy Valley Spring H'cap. 1 mile.
T. K. L.'s Hillsboro Bay (Needa) .. 1
Marber 1's Hughber (Treverton) .. 2
Marber's Lilliber (Chang) 3
Time, 158 sec.

5.—Yarra Stakes. About ½ mile 170 yds.
Eu Tong Sen's Gloaming (Poy) 1
T. & E.'s Hascossay (Davis) 2
Lee Bros.' Locus Standi (Sokoloff).. 3
Time, 1.02⅘ sec.

6.—Taiping Handicap. One mile.
Eve's Eve of Dancing (Wood) 1
Eu Tong Sen's Rose Jane (Botelho) 2
T. K. L.'s Galveston Bay (Noodt) .. 3
Time, 2.01 sec.

7.—Flemington Plate. One mile. (2nd Section).
Sailbad the Sailor's Mainsail (Black) 1
Miss Li Po Chun's A Rosy Time (Hearne) 2
Tester & Abraham's The Koala Bear (Tang) 3
Time, 1.50⅘ sec.

8.—Professional Cup and Australian Subscription Ponies Champions, 1¼ miles.
Necan's United Express (Ip Kui Ying) 1
Gentium (Sokoloff) 2
Lee Chi Choh's Happy Returns (Chao) 3
Time, 2.18⅘ sec.

9.—Benarba Handicap. Two miles.
T. K. L.'s Centre Court (Noodt) 1
T. K. L. Venus Bay (Needa) 2
Ellandee's Volorado Star (Davis) .. 3
Time, 3.54⅘ sec.—Reuter.

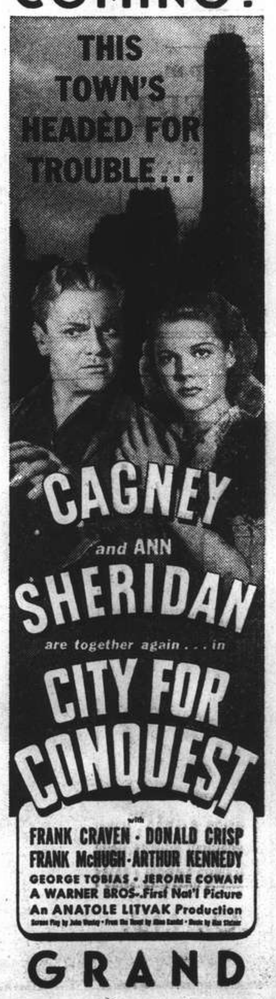
W.D.P.S. Triumph 5-1 Over Cathedral School

Swift Attack in Opening Stages Proves Decisive

Storming into their opponents with a thrusting, whirlwind attack that carried all before it in the opening stages of the game, the western District Public School junior soccer team defeated the Cathedral School juniors by the decisive margin of five goals to one in a match played on the latter's ground yesterday. Battered and bewildered by the unexpectedness and the speed of the sudden "blitzkreig," the Cathedral schoolboys allowed their opponents to net their entire total of five goals within the first 25 minutes of the game before they awoke to a full realization of the desperate nature of their situation.

In those amazing opening seconds the W.D.P.S. boys launched an unceasing barrage of shots at the Cathedral citadel and a deluge of goals was the result, until they were suddenly halted in their tracks by a team that had taken a new lease on life in the nick of time. Chang opened the scoring in the eighth minute and four more goals were slammed in in quick succession by Nissim, Koreisha and Villas (2).

Staging a remarkable recovery towards the end of the first half, the Cathedral schoolboys rallied hard and turned the tables on their aggressors in the second session by taking the offensive for the first time. Scott tallied once to reduce the leeway to 1-5 and then both sides went at it hammer and tongs. Neither team, however, could make any further headway and though the battle raged desperately on until the final whistle, the score remained unaltered. That opening blow of the W.D.P.S. when they attacked like fury to net those five, lightning goals, proved the decisive factor of the match, and the Cathedral boys were never able to recover from that initial setback.



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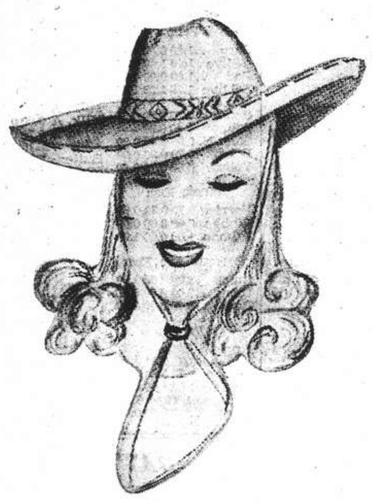

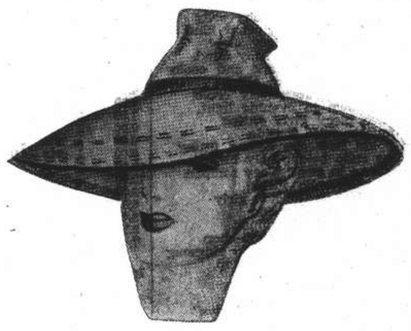

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To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—With reference to BRITISHER's inquiry in your today's issue a friend tells me that one pound in India will purchase less than ten shillings in Shanghai. The cost of living in Burma is higher than in India, considerably so. My friend hazards a guess that £30 per month in India today would be equal to about $200 a month in Shanghai pre-incident times—say 1937.

B.

Shanghai, Feb. 28.

Market Prices:

The Utility of Lists

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—What HOUSEWIFE says in her letter of February 25 on the subject of market prices, is indeed very true.

To my mind the whole thing is a bit of a farce, for the issue of lists of food prices is, at the present time, of little use to purchasers, and they are certainly regarded as something of a joke by shopkeepers, market-sellers and cooks, who in agreement set their own prices, which are invariably far in excess of prices given in the lists.

GRASS-WIDOWER

Shanghai, Feb. 28.

"Lo-Le-Ley":

In Pidgin English

Oh my belong too muchy solly
And then my no savy what kind
Have got one olo piecy stoly
No wantchy go outside my mind.
That night belong dark and coolo
Linewater make flow allight
Topside plenty stars vely coolo
Looksee down in evening light.
One nice piecy girly sitting
Too muchy cullo topside
Her goldn hair she belong fitting
He that cullo belong vely blight
Fishingman in small piecy sampan
Belong vely cullo inside
He only looksee topside girly
He no looksee waterside
Maskee small piecy sampan
Go bottomside vely chop-chop
Lo-Le-Ley maky too muchy singsong
And anytime never can stop.

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to the letter in today's issue. I beg to send the above version without any guarantee however, that the same is correct. I think the interpreter many years ago had replaced some expressions even by better ones according to his own knowledge of pidgin.

S. H.

Shanghai, Feb. 28.

Astronomical Figures:

More Information Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I fancy that a good proportion of your readers, including those to whom it was somewhat elementary, enjoyed Mr. Sowerby's recent article headed Astronomical Figures. As a comparative beginner in the fascinating study of astronomy, but not in a position to lay hands on detailed treatises, I wonder if Mr. Sowerby could follow up his good work by one or more articles explaining some of the data given in your short monthly article headed China Skies In (month). None of the books available to me explain, for instance, the Mean Apparent figures given under Rising and Setting of Sun, nor the extra data under Lunar Occultations Visible Here. Nor why a range of magnitudes is sometimes given for one planet and only one magnitude for another. Incidentally I fail to understand why the lower Stellar Magnitudes are invariably notated by a plus sign and the higher magnitudes by a minus. Finally, Mr. Sowerby puts Alpha Centauri as the third brightest star, and I seem to remember that in The Stars In Their Courses, Jeans says the same. But certainly in his Through Time and Space (p.97 of my edition) Jeans puts this star *below* Vega, Capella and Arcturus, as well as the leaders Sirius and Canopus. In both cases Jeans, as well as Mr. Sowerby, were of course referring to "apparent brightness" not "intrinsic luminosity."

DOG STAR.

Hankow, Feb. 22.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MARCH 2, 1871

In again drawing attention to the state of the River, and the necessity for more complete measures to ensure the conservation of the navigation of the port, we rely on the importance of the subject, to rebut the charge of wearisome repetition. Within the last few weeks, the fact has been substantiated of a deepening of the waterway over the bar at Woosung, to which attention was first called in a report by the Chief Harbour Engineer, published in the Customs Gazette for the second quarter of 1869. It seems at least curious that no steps have been taken hitherto to verify and enable ships to avail of a change which would on more than one occasion have saved considerable delay and expense to vessels entering the port. The extra depth now to be found on the bar, admitting vessels of heavy draught at ordinarily high tides, is really an important consideration with vessels trading regularly with Shanghai; yet we find that, although the change was shadowed out in a report issued a year and a half ago, the Marine Department has all this while allowed the idea to remain current that the depths at Woosung as registered by the signals from the Harbour Master's station, really represented the depth of water on the bar. Take, for one moment, the opposite consideration, that within the period passed through, the bar had shallowed to an equal depth, would this fact have been also allowed to remain dormant till, as in the case of the Lismore, some serious loss had occurred through the backwardness of the Department in elaborating and acting upon information which was really in its possession.

LOCAL FOOD PRICES

Average price obtained on Feb. 28, 1941, H.—Hongkwew Market and shops in Hongkew District W.—Seymour Road Market and shops in Western District F.C.—Markets and shops in the French Concession.

BEEF	H.	W.	F.C.
Rib	2.40	2.60	2.60
Rump	2.80	3.00	2.70
Sirloin	2.80	3.00	—
Soup	1.50	2.00	1.80
Suet	1.00	1.70	0.80
MUTTON			
Chops	1.50	1.60	1.55
Gigot	1.60	1.60	1.60
PORK			
Lard	1.30	1.40	1.45
Leg	1.60	1.80	0.80
Cutlet	1.70	1.70	1.52
Should.	1.50	1.70	1.60
VEAL			
Cutlets	3.00	2.50	—
BUFFALO			
Rump	2.60	2.00	1.90
Soup	1.40	1.50	1.60
Goat	—	2.00	1.50
PREPARED MEAT			
Bacon	2.50	2.60	2.20
Ham F.	2.70	2.60	3.40
Ham C.	3.04	3.64	2.80
S. pork	1.44	1.60	1.40
FISH			
Carp	1.20	0.80	—
" live	1.40	1.00	1.40
Cod	1.00	0.90	1.00
Eel live	1.20	1.20	1.90
Manda.	1.60	1.60	1.60
Prawns	0.25	0.30	0.25
Salmon	1.40	0.90	—
Soles N.	0.90	0.90	0.80
W'bait	0.70	0.90	0.90
Yellow	0.60	0.70	0.60
SALTED FISH			
Herring	0.70	0.70	0.66
Ribbon	0.60	0.60	0.60
Salmon	1.00	0.90	1.00
POULTRY AND EGGS			
Chick	.220	2.00	1.90
Duck	.7.00	8.00	5.50
Eggs	.2.40	2.40	2.00
FRUIT			
Apples	0.70	—	0.80
Bananas	0.35	0.35	0.35
Lemons	0.70	0.60	0.60
Oranges	1.00	1.00	0.70
" Imp.	6.00	6.00	6.00
Pears	—	0.70	0.70

VEGETABLES	H.	W.	F.C.
B'boo	1.00	1.20	1.20
Beans F.	1.00	0.80	0.70
B'troot	0.20	0.30	0.30
C'bage	0.10	0.05	0.15
" F.	.0.10	0.25	0.10
" S.	.0.15	0.17	0.15
Carrots	0.08	0.30	0.10
Onions	0.40	0.40	0.30
Potatoes	0.40	0.50	0.30
" S.	.0.15	0.25	0.10
Spinach	0.10	0.25	0.10
To'toes	1.00	1.20	1.00
Turnips	0.15	0.15	0.10
GROCERY			
Coffee	3.00	3.00	2.80
Flour A.	0.60	0.58	0.55
Flour C.	0.58	0.54	0.54
M'roni	0.90	0.90	0.90
Noodles	0.48	0.45	0.45
Salt T.	0.42	0.40	0.32
Salt C.	0.42	0.32	0.32
Sugar T.	0.75	0.90	0.90
" H.	.0.67	0.65	0.65
Tea	.3.50	3.25	3.40
OIL AND BEAN CURD			
Bean	.0.22	0.20	0.10
Salad	.1.65	1.80	1.00
Soya	.0.95	0.88	0.35
MILK, BUTTER AND BREAD			
Milk, A	1.05	0.90	—
Milk, A	0.90	0.94	1.00
Milk, B	0.70	0.70	0.50
Milk	.2.10	3.10	1.80
Butter	7.20	6.90	7.00
M'arine	1.75	1.70	1.75
Bread F.	0.56	0.56	0.56
SOAPS			
Toilet	.0.30	0.45	0.40
Wash	.0.52	0.70	0.46
RICE			
K'mee	0.62	0.59	0.61
Foreign	0.50	0.49	0.52
COAL AND FUEL			
Anthrac.	250	270	270
Kitchen	210	240	230
Brique.	8.60	8.80	8.60
Charcoal	50	—	45
Wood	.—	0.50	0.70
K'sene	1.05	0.90	0.90

TO-DAY'S RADIO

Short Wave News

Shanghai Time

p.m.		m.	mc/s.
4.00	London	19.82	15.14
4.00	"	25.53	11.75
4.00	"	31.55	9.51
7.00	"	19.66	15.26
7.00	"	25.53	11.75
9.00	"	25.53	11.75
9.00	" via H'Kong	31.49	9.53
9.00	" via Australia	31.32	9.58
12.00	"	31.74	9.45
12.00	"	25.53	11.75
12.00	"	31.55	9.51
6.35	Manila	31.35	9.57
8.45	"	31.09	9.65
8.30	San Fancisco	31.02	9.67
7.45	Australia	31.20	9.61

Important alterations in BBC Transmissions directed to the Far East.

Commencing Sunday, February 16, the BBC are broadcasting to the Far East as follows:—

	m.	mc/s.
3.30- 6.00 p.m.	19.82	15.14
6.55- 9.00 "	19.66	15.26
6.55- 9.30 "	25.53	11.75
9.45-12.30 "	31.74	9.45
" " "	25.53	11.75

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1.00 News in Chinese
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2.00 Popular Classics—Compositions by Schubert, Tschaikowsky, and Bizet
3.00 "Sunday Afternoon Concert."—Played by Military Bands
4.00 Children's Half Hour, conducted by "Georgie"
4.30 Chinese Programme in Mandarin and Shanghai Dialects, including "The Foundations of Chinese Music" by Professor Wei Chung-loh at 5.00 p.m.
6.30 Hungarian Programme
7.00 **"Inside Occupied Europe"**
7.30 Sports Review
8.00 News in English
8.30 Pomping Vila at the Hammond Organ
9.00 Relay of B.B.C. News (Conditions Permitting) B.B.C. Programme Announcements
9.15 Christian Issues in Wartime—"Religion and Public Life" Talk by Mr. H. T. Silcock
9.30 "Shakespearian Interlude," by Dorothea Brooking and E. G. Smith-Wright
10.00 XCDN'S Concert Hall
11.30 Russian Programme
11.50 Dance Music
12.00 Relay of B.B.C. News (Conditions Permitting.)

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8.00 9.00 Light music.
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The Worship of the True God

Sermon Preached by Dean Trivett in the Trinity Cathedral at Mattins

TEXT:—*"And God spake all these words, saying, "I am The Lord Thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me."* Exodus 20, 1-3.

THE Law as contained in the Ten Commandments constitutes the very heart and kernel of the entire Mosaic system. Around this brief code, as a nucleus, there gathered the ritual and the jurisprudence of Israel and while nearly everything else in Judaism has been superseded, the code of the ten commandments still keeps its place in the theology, the catechism and the ritual of the Christian Church. Indeed, one might premise with fear of successful contradiction that there is no single document of the same size that has had anything like so profound and far-reaching an influence upon the moral and religious life of mankind.

In some three hundred words—most of them words of one syllable only—there is set forth a code so comprehensive that it embraces the whole of life. It defines religion. It lays a secure basis for theology and morals. It deals with our conduct as parents, children, neighbours, and married people. It leaves out nothing that is important, and what is even more significant, because it is even more unique, it includes nothing that is unimportant. It deals with life in its broad outlines, life as it is in its essential factors, which endure and change but little with the passing centuries, and, at the same time, it does not stoop to legislate upon the petty trifles that change from year to year. Through the combination of these qualities and many others, one might mention the Decalogue stands out from all other teaching. It has become part and parcel of the necessary furniture and equipment of the human mind. It is almost impossible for a civilized person to attain to years of discretion without knowing something about it.

God's Law

The law given on Sinai was not the pronouncement of something entirely new. It merely made explicit much that had long been felt as binding—principles of action already recognized as right and obligatory in the moral and spiritual realm. The foundation of the code no doubt goes back to an earlier date in the history of the race. Nevertheless, that fact does not minimize the importance of events recorded in Exodus 19 and 20. In a very real sense the giving of the Law on Sinai is the greatest event in the history of mankind. Search of the annals of any nation under heaven, or any of old times, Egypt, Babylon, Rome, we may find stirring events recorded—elaborate ceremonials—great triumphs; but none that can compare with this tremendous and awe-inspiring event when God revealed Himself to His chosen people, with audible voice declaring His will.

Picture the scene. After solemn warnings and elaborate preparation, the Host of Israel is gathered in the great plain amid the mountains of granite, which make up the Sinai range. They are drawn up to face the Mount of God—Mount Sinai, which towers above them like a colossal pulpit, rising 1,500 feet in a sheer precipice out of the plain in which they stand. Dense clouds veil the mountain peak and out of the cloud come jagged flashes of lightning while the thunders roll about like the rattle of giant drums or the salvoes of heavenly artillery. Flames of fire from out the cloud add to the awe-inspiring impressiveness of the scene. Suddenly the thunders die away, and out of the cloud comes a sound that can only be described as the "Voice of a Trumpet," sounding long, and waxing louder and louder, and then we are told that "Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice." Then God called Moses to come up into the Mount with Him and there He delivered to him the code which was to form the basis of Israel's national and religious life. That which should determine their relation toward God and their duty toward their fellow-men.

Commandments Still Stand

The centuries have passed, but these commandments still stand. They have not lost their force in the passing years. They have not been superseded. They remain a standard of permanent and eternal values. They bear their permanent testimony to the fact that at the heart of all individual or national greatness there must be pure religion and pure morality....The worship of the true God, and the pursuit of holy living. Lessons doubly important in the age in which we live. And, further, they teach that God is not a mere creative power, a first cause, but a personal, spiritual being, able to live in a personal relationship with men, able to come into their daily experience and deal with their daily problems. The Ten Commandments with their revelation of God's nature and will are not a string of arbitrary commandments, only binding because they were given by God on Sinai. The commandments would be binding even if they were not in the Bible for they are, as one has well said, "The reflection of God's innermost nature." They declare the laws which work for harmony in this world of His creation. Disregard of His Laws and disobedience to these precepts place the doer outside the zone of safety. In a sense then disobedience brings its own penalty. It is not an exaggeration to say that if it were once regarded as allowable for men and women to murder, steal and commit adultery, society would soon go to pieces and we should return to the savagery from which we sprang.

First Commandment

Let us turn now to the first of the Ten Commandments: "I am the Lord Thy God; thou shalt have none other gods but me." This is the familiar Prayer Book version of the commandment which we use in the service of the Holy Communion. In these few words we have set before us the object, the inspiration and the focus of religion and when we add the qualifying clause from the Exodus account we have in three brief sentences summed up all that man has learnt before or since of God. God is a person, not a force. A spiritual being, apart from and above the world which He has created, distinct from and yet capable of entering into definite and individual relation with His creatures. These are the truths which make religion possible and worship which is man's appropriation of the truths thus revealed. And in passing, I would premise that we shall find the key to the proper understanding of all that is explicit and implicit in this commandment may be summed up in the one word—"Worship."

Worship of God

It is not enough to know that God exists. True it is a long step forward when man has come to see that the Sun, the Moon and the Stars are not gods, but only the creatures of God; that the winds are not God, but His messengers; that the flaming fires are not God, but only His ministers. But the knowledge that God is a being apart from the world and independent of it.. Creator and not created—although that knowledge renders worship possible, will not of itself evoke it. Worship is not born in response to bare abstract ideas of the Supreme Being, however adequate or true they may be. Worship only comes when that being is revealed in a relationship to man, and this relationship and the manner of it is set forth in the qualifying clause, "I am the Lord Thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage." Here we see the Creator not only revealed as God—a being that can be worshipped but in a personal relationship to Israel. He is their God, a Saviour, and as such He inspires the worship He desires. Revelation and deliverance went hand in hand. As we study the history of Israel, we see a growing revelation of the person of God and of His power. He is manifested as able and willing to deliver His people, ever seeking to enter into closer relationship with them. What He had been to Abraham and to Isaac and to Jacob, that He was to their descendants. We see how He prepared the way from famine-stricken Palestine into the land of plenty. Then how with a mighty hand He delivered them out of the bondage into which they had fallen in Egypt. How he was their defence and guide in all the wilderness wanderings. How by the discipline and instruction of Sinai the twelve tribles are welded into a nation. How they are equipped for their new life and finally how He leads them into the Promised Land.

Every crisis in their history may be seen as having a twofold meaning. It was the means of a further relation of God to them, and by the deliverance He wrought for them in an ever-increasing way their constant need of Him and their dependence upon Him is brought to them; and, further, it led them to seek Him in worship and communion. Each fresh instance of His saving power put fresh content into those words in which the first commandment is given to them. "I am the Lord Thy God which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, thou shalt have no other gods before me." Surely this is not difficult to understand. Can we not look back and see that in a very real way our trials and our hardships, things we found so difficult to understand at the time, were in reality both a revelation and a blessing? How in many an hour of trial we learned to know God in a deeper and richer way, and our apparent loss was in reality great gain.

God Was Their Strength

There is a very real sense in which Israel's history was written for our learning. We see not only how that God was their strength and stay in every hour of need, full of compassion and loving-kindness, bearing with their waywardness and frailities, forgiving their sins and rescuing them from the evil consequences of their wrongdoing, but we also see the power that was engendered by the memory of what they had learned and experienced. Remembering what he had done of old and confident in His presence with them in the way of His commandment, they press forward into the flowing waters of Jordan in flood and through and on against fenced cities and strongly entranched enemies. What a source of encouragement all this should be to us in these dark days. We too can go forward in the strength of God. "We have heard with our ears and our fathers have declared unto us the noble works that thou didst in their days and in the old time before them."

But it is not only in material things that their experience was written for our learning. They are a type and symbol of our spiritual experience as well. Were they delivered out of Egypt, we too have been in bondage, a slavery worse than that of the children of Israel under Pharoah, but from that bondage He is able and willing to deliver us. He can save from the guilt and power of sin. He can break the force of evil habits. He can deliver from the grip and fascination of evil. He can crown our weak efforts with victory. We can say with a fulness of meaning impossible to the ancient world, "I believe in God.". We have not only Sinai and the history of God's dealing with His chosen people: we have the New Testament, we have the history of the Christian ages. We do not stop when we have said, "I am the Lord Thy God which brought thee out of Egypt." We go on to point to Bethlehem and Calvary, to the Resurrection and the Ascension, to Pentecost and to the Acts of the Apostles and all saints and martyrs and holy men in all ages since.

God First

With one thought briefly stated, I must close our study this morning. Not only is there here self-disclosure of God, not only here declared the fact that a definite relationship exists between God and Man, but here too we have a positive duty laid upon us. We must in all things put God first: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." We may be tempted to put ourselves before God by pleasing ourselves and going our own way instead of seeking to please God and go His way. There are many on a Sunday morning who break the first commandment by staying in bed when they should be keeping an appointment with God in His house. We may put others before God, as we do when we think more of what other people think than of what God thinks—striving for popularity, being afraid to go against public opinion in doing or saying what we believe to be right; or we may put things before God. Like Balaam of old we may turn our backs on God for a reward. Like Judas sell the Lord for thirty pieces of silver. Hear the Command—"I am the Lord Thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me." May we not from our heart reply: "Lord have mercy upon us and incline our hearts to keep this Law."

Manchoukuo Celebrates Empire Day

Changchun, Mar. 1.

Japanese and Manchoukuo flags are flying over buildings in Manchoukuo cities today, Government and other offices have closed their doors, and a general holiday mood prevails on the occasion of the ninth anniversary of the Manchoukuo Empire.

One of the biggest items in a comprehensive programme is the broadcast fare arranged by the Manchuria Telephone and Telegraph Company. Broadcasts throughout the day will include addresses to Japan, Germany and Italy, commemorative entertainments and in the evening excerpts from selected operas.

Cabled messages of congratulations and gratitude are being exchanged today between the Emperors of Japan and Manchoukuo.—Reuter.

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THIS SPRING INVASION

By O. M. GREEN

In times of war superstition is rife. A curious legend now going round is that in the very near future, some tremendous event will occur which will so shock the world that we shall all stop fighting. But what is it to be? "In the Days of the Comet" recurs to mind. Nothing but a miracle, or beating them to pulp would stop the Germans from fighting. "Peace," said von Moltke, "is a dream and not a good dream." And some 1,900 years ago Tacitus wrote of the Germans: "They hate peace and think it weak to win with sweat what can be won with blood." They have always been the same—brutal and remorseless to those they conquer, cringing and cowardly to their superiors.

As against war-ending miracles, all military writers (and the Prime Minister) continually warn us to prepare for a terrific test of strength this spring. There is a general belief that Hitler will try to invade us, probably beginning with trains of gliders each carrying, 60 or 70 armed men and a light tank or two, their business being so to smash up our factories and disrupt communications that an army might be landed by sea. One obvious difficulty is that trains of gliders would have to fly low and slowly, and would thus be very vulnerable. But that is not to say that Hitler won't try something of the sort. It would really be a relief to everyone if he would.

Meanwhile evidence of the increasing strength of our Air Force is to be seen on the daylight raids by British bombers supported by a large force of fighters on enemy territory. This is not only more satisfying than night raids good as they are, but proof that we are able to take the offensive. The Germans still outnumber us in the air, but it is not doubted that our air craft are very much superior to theirs, in spite of blood-curdling stories of semi-invisible aeroplanes with soundless engines, which some German is said to have invented.

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Mr. Herbert Morrison's order calling up men between 16 and 60 to fight incendiary bombs is memorable as the first time in our history that compulsion has been applied to civilians for war work. And after all why not. The principle of a nation at war and every member of it in the front line has long been accepted simply because it obviously must be. And if men are conscripted for the army, why not for other services bearing on the war. What is so extraordinary is that among all the devices preached by the Government for our protection against enemy aircraft, no one until recently seems to have thought of night guards. Yet there is no question whatever that incendiary bombs can very easily be put out if tackled as soon as they fall. Both London and Bristol have been saved from numbers of fires by the fire-watchers on duty, even though the latter were still not fully organized and fewer than they will be soon.

Apropos of fire-spotting an ingenious reader of "The Times" suggests the use of periscopes put up the chimney, so that the roofs might be watched from inside the house. In bad weather this is certainly an attractive notion.

A wine-merchant lost in the City fires of some weeks ago wine which he could have sold now at a clear profit of £4,000. If he had been able to hold it he would certainly have made much more. Wine stocks are running out rapidly and it is impossible to say when they will be renewed. The French white wines are practically exhausted; French vermouth is almost unprocurable. The cheaper sherries and ports are said to be running very low. Speculators are buying up all the wines they can, but the dealers are checking this game by refusing to sell in more than limited quantities. Other wines may be replaced when peace comes without difficulty but champagne, already commanding 200s. a dozen compared 150s. before the war, is likely to be an occasional treat for millionaires only. The Germans are in the champagne country and are reported to be carrying off all the stocks to Hunland. They probably are. Champagne is a wine they specially love to guzzle.

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Much material for cheap wit is provided by the Food Minister's urging us all to eat as many carrots as possible, of which we have the largest stock ever grown in this country. They are recommended to build energy, improve the complexion, keep down winter ailments and cure night blindness. Potatoes are another bumper crop, excellent for energy-building, and so is oatmeal rich in vitamin B1 and iron. Yet in fact oatmeal is quite difficult to buy, grocers having given up stocking it in favour of the patent prepared oats which can be cooked in ten minutes.

At a luncheon given to advertise his recommended foods Lord Wootton was served with potato casserole, potato eclairs, curried carrot, carrot flan, oatmeal sausages and honey buns. All might be excellent, but obviously all depend on good cooking, and the average English housewife has so long been used to getting everything in a tin, vegetables included, that she has much to learn now in order to serve up tasty dishes.

The control of prices has now been extended to a great number of foods particularly in tins on which there has been profiteering. The immediate result of course is that the articles in question go out of sight at once. Probably this is temporary. Sooner or later the grocers—one had nearly said growsers—will see the folly of cutting off their noses to spite their faces.

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As an illustration how difficult it is to obtain a passage overseas—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whitamore are still waiting for a ship to China. Their leave was up some months ago, but even the F. O. cannot get them berths.

Sir Peter Grain is very well though he rarely leaves his pleasant country home in Buckinghamshire for London. He and a retired general are salvage superintendents for their district and since last June have collected and despatched 81½ tons of waste paper to the nation's savings.

There is a panic among the users of safety razors. Blades are running short and soon there won't be any more. Ingenious people write to the papers describing how old blades can be reset by rubbing them on the inside of wine-glasses. It sounds a dangerous trick. Victorians like your correspondent, who have remained faithful to straight-blade razors now have the laugh of the moderns. If the war lasts long enough, I suppose that beards and whiskers will become fashionable again.

MAMMALS OF SHANGHAI

By ARTHUR DE C. SOWERBY

While most branches of animal life are well represented in the Shanghai area, there is one that is so little in evidence that the man in the street might be pardoned for believing it almost entirely absent. This is the order *Mammalia*, to which belong the warm-blooded vertebrates that suckle their young. Yet this absence of mammals in or about Shanghai is more apparent than real, for, on making out a list of the different species and sub-species of such animals which I know to occur here, I find that their number, excluding the bats, is at least sixteen.

Just how many species of bats are represented in the fauna of Shanghai is not known, but there must be quite a large number, probably exceeding that of all the other mammals together. There are some 78 different forms of bats known to occur in China, and a goodly proportion of these almost certainly occur in the vicinity of Shanghai at some time of the year or other, some hibernating here, others visiting in summer, and yet others passing through on migration, for many species of bats migrate just as birds do. In summer the local bat population is enormous, as may be appreciated by anyone watching the evening flights of these winged mammals as they leave the built-up areas for the surrounding country to feed during the hours of darkness. This, of course, takes place only during the warmer months of the year.

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The only records of bats from Shanghai given by Dr. Glover M. Allen in his recent monumental and comprehensive work, "The Mammals of China and Mongolia," are of the Chinese mouse-eared bat (*Myotis chinensis*, Tomes) and the Formosan mouse-eared bat (*Myotis formosus rufo-niger*, Tomes). A noctule known scientifically as *Nyctalus aviator*, Thomas, has been recorded from Shaweishan Island at the mouth of the Yangtze, while the strange little west China bat named *La io* by Thomas and another noctule named *Nyctalus velutinus* G. M. Allen have been recorded from Nanking. Rickett's bat (*Rickettia pilosa*, Peters) has been recorded from Soochow, while the Chinese common pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus abramus* Temminck) is known to inhabit the whole of the eastern coastal regions of China from north to south, so that it certainly occurs in our area.

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Of the other mammals found in the environs of Shanghai one is an insectivore, the hedgehog (*Erinaceus ehropaeus kreyenbergi*, Matschie), already fully dealt with in a previous article, five are carnivores, one is a cetacean, one an edentate, one a lagomorph and seven are rodents.

The carnivores, or flesh-eaters, include the Chinese spotted wild cat, or tiger cat, as it is also called, scientifically known as *Felis bengalensis chinensis*, Gray; the rasse or lesser civet (*Viverricula malaccensis pallida*, Gray), the badger (*Meles leptorynchus*, Milne-Edwards); the Chinese mink or golden weasel (*Mustela sibirica fontanierii*, Milne-Edwards); and the raccoon-dog (*Nyctereutes procyonides*, Gray). Of these the tiger cat and the lesser civet are still fairly common in the suburban districts of Shanghai, while the mink or golden weasel is positively plentiful, occurring even in the central business districts, where it frequents drains and the roofs of houses hunting for rats and other vermin. In the surrounding country it may be sought along the banks of creeks and canals, feeding upon frogs, fish and other aquatic animals. Badgers are sometimes to be found in outlying areas, where also the raccoon-dog is fairly common.

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The so-called Indian river-porpoise (*Neomeris phocaenoides*, Cuvier) is the local representative of the *Cetacea*, and occurs in the Whangpoo River, in which specimens have been caught by fishermen close to Shanghai. One such specimen is mounted in the Shanghai Museum (R.A.S.), having been netted just above Nantao. Schools of these porpoises are a common sight in the Seven Mile Reach and from Minghong to above Tunglimiao. This is a blunt-nosed porpoise running up to some 6 ft. or more in length, with no dorsal fin or hump, and of a grey colour with whitish lips. It may here be noted that large schools of Scammon's blackfish or pilot whale (*Globicephalus scammonii*, Cope) have been recorded as occurring off Woosung in the Yangtze Estuary, while a few years ago a full grown specimen of the sei whale (*Balaenoptera borealis* Lesson) was stranded on the coast near Woosung. But these, of course, can hardly be included in the fauna of Shanghai.

The edentate found in this area is the well known pangolin or scaley ant-eater (*Manis pentadactyla dalmanni* Sundevall). Within very recent times specimens of this strange creature have been captured in the Western District of Shanghai, while only a few years ago one was found actually in the centre of the Native City when an old building was being demolished. What it had been living on is a mystery.

In the outskirts of Shanghai and the surrounding country the south China hare (*Caprolagus sinensis*, Gray) is fairly common. It is a smaller animal than the north China hare, with little or no white on the under parts and grey instead of white on the under side of the tail. It also has shorter ears and smaller hind feet. It belongs to the order *Lagomorpha*, which was formerly included in that of the rodents.

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The true rodents or gnawing animals, order *Rodentia*, are represented in the Shanghai area by five species or sub-species or ordinary rats, namely, the common brown or Norway rat (*Rattus norvegicus norvegicus*, Linnaeus), introduced here by human agency from Europe; the Chinese common brown rat (*Rattus norvegicus socer*, Miller); the English black rat (*Rattus rattus rattus*, Linnaeus), also introduced by human agency from Europe; the Egyptian plague-carrying rat (*Rattus rattus alexandrinus*, Geoffroy); and the Chinese yellow-breasted rat (*Rattus flavipectus flavipectus*, Milne-Edwards), which is by far the commonest rat in this area. Then there is some form of common mouse which is very plentiful in Shanghai, both in gardens and houses. But it has never been properly identified, and it may well be that at least two forms occur here. One of these is probably the south China house mouse (*Mus bactrianus kakhyensis*, Anderson), and the other the European house mouse (*Mus musculus*, Linnaeus), which has been distributed all over the world by human agency, and has been recorded from other parts of China. It is probable also that the little harvest mouse (*Micromys minutus pygmaeus*, Milne-Edwards), which is common in the reed-beds of the Lower Yangtze and the estuary and delta of that river, occurs in the outskirts of Shanghai along creek banks. This smallest of rodents makes a spherical nest in the reeds some distance above the ground.

Finally there is evidence that a form of small striped hamster rat, related to, if not identical with, the grey striped hamster (*Cricetulus barabensis griseus*, Milne-Edwards) of further north, occurs in this region. Some years ago I found a partially decayed specimen of this form lying on a lawn in a garden on Jessfield Road, and, while it was not too far gone to diagnose as a striped hamster, its condition was such as to preclude its preservation. Travelling showmen also exhibit rats of this type doing tricks at country fairs or on highways, but they may have come from north of the Yangtze. Hamsters may be distinguished from ordinary rats and mice by their short tails and the presence of large cheek-pouches in which they carry grain and other food to store away in commodious chambers in their burrows underground.

Wisdom from the Weeklies

Food in France The *Herrenvolk* eat much more meat than the French, double the quantity of sugar and thrice as much fats, observes the "Economist" Only in bread has the Frenchman an advantage, a reflection of the fact that there are fewer foods to choose from in Vichy France even than in Nazi Germany. The French sugar ration is even less than the Polish, 5.25 ounces a week. Macaroni, rice, cheese and milk have also been rationed, and the monthly potato ration was recently fixed at 1 kilogramme in many departments, and the soap ration (containing about 30 per cent. of fatty acid instead of the usual 62 to 64 per cent.) was fixed at 100 grams a month. The chance of finding relief from these material sufferings in the near future is very slight. The apparatus of recovery is lacking: French production has no markets apart from the usurious invader; the bulk of French consumers have no work; transport has broken down; the cost of the German occupation is crippingly heavy; and the Vichy Government has no authority. Nor is it the German's wish that France should recover. There is no honour in their armistice. Their plan is to create just one more economic vassal and, in sponsoring the movement for de-industrialization, the Vichy Government have stupidly and short-sightedly given their backing to that plan.

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Wildfowling For a Living When you buy a pair of wild duck, do you ever think of the men who go out in open punts, often home made with old-fashioned muzzle-loading guns to get them for you? A salt water wild-fowler has to have the constitution of a horse, the skin of an otter, the eye of a hawk and the patience of an owl, said J. Wentworth Day in the "Listener." He must be more than a bit of a sailor because his punt is a narrow thing about 12 to 16 feet long and not more than 3 ft. 6 in. wide. It draws about 3 inches and the freeboard or height above water is not more than 8 inches. So navigation is highly delicate. You need to be a bit of a Red Indian and put your faith in God. More than once when I've been caught in a choppy sea crossing a big creek at midnight with the waves running higher than the boat and me sitting on the bottom boards rowing away with my heart in my mouth, I've wondered why on earth anyone does this sort of thing for fun. But the professionals do it for a living and the fun of it. Imagine for a moment that you're on a wide estuary with the tide flooding under the moon. You're alone in a tiny punt, 1-mile off shore. The river seems utterly empty, a century of time from civilization. You may hear a dog bark at a marsh farm miles away or a German bomber high up in the clouds on his way to London—nothing else. It is utterly quiet and the tide runs in like silk. Then far ahead, perhaps 1-mile away, you hear the whistle of curlew—that bubbling feeding call which means they're after the worms on the mud. And above that you hear the "cronk-cronk" of black geese and the mewing of widgeon. They sound rather like old men and ghostly cats in the moonlight. Your job now is to manœuvre the boat within range of those hundreds of feeding birds, without being seen by their sentries, to keep the boat head on to them, to judge the distance accurately before firing and, having judged it, to rattle your feet on the bottom boards and then, tipping the gun at the right elevation, fire as they jump into the air. It's no easy job and an amateur will miss the shot nine times out of ten. The whole thing is a combination of patience, seamanship, natural history and a certain contempt for danger. That's part of the fascination of it. Most of the young fishermen sportsmen have joined the mine sweepers or are on North Sea patrol work but the old boys still stick at it. In that recent terrible frost when our own estuary was frozen over with ice four feet thick and a mile across, these men launched their punts on wheels across the ice and went out in the further waters. They shot black geese fresh from Spitzbergen, widgeon straight down from the Baltic, curlew which had perhaps spent the summer in Africa, or even Japan. All these went into the bag. But two men were drowned and three nearly lost their fingers through frostbite. And when I asked one old boy of 73 if the bitter cold was not too much for him his answer was: "Oh no, master, that was easy like. I left the shooting to the younger chaps. I just lay all night in me punt with me feet in a bag of straw, cosy as a little old dog, and let that freeze. Then I took me scythe and I went out on the ice and took all the ducks I wanted. You see they'd all frozen in the ice and I mowed them off by the legs."

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Mountaineering In Bond Street Recently, said Howard Marshall (quoted in the "Listener"), a friend of mine was ill, and his aunt, who lives in Derby, insisted on coming up to London to look after him, since he's a lone bachelor. Well, I must say I thought that a very sporting offer of the old lady, and it wasn't the slightest use his protesting—she is one of those aunts, and a little thing like Hitler wasn't going to stop her. The long and short of it was that my friend said he didn't feel very happy about his aunt arriving in London at night, probably in the middle of an air-raid, with luggage, and not knowing in the slightest what London was like and would I go and meet her if he lent me his little 8 h.p. car? Well, he was rather ill and worried, and I didn't want his temperature to bounce up any more, so I said I would, and then remembered I hadn't driven any sort of car for months, let alone one as small as that and in the black out. Still, a promise is a promise, and off I trundled just about dusk with my knees somewhere up to my chin, and my friend's blessing ringing in my ears. I felt I needed all the blessings I could get—it wasn't easy to see, even in the twilight, but I managed to get to the station, and in due course the train came in, and somehow in the shadows I met the indomitable lady. She was indomitable; that's the only word for it. The sirens had gone, and the guns were popping, but she thought it was all rather good fun. She'd always wanted to see a real air-raid, she said: the only thing that worried her was her canary Joey — she'd brought Joey with her because she didn't like to leave him behind, and she hoped he wouldn't be frightened by the barrage, and perhaps if I'd carry his cage I shouldn't shake him about so much. Well, I carried Joey, and collected a Gladstone bag and a cardboard box which was full of calves' foot jelly, she assured me—and it certainly felt like it—and somehow we found the car and bundled into it. It was raining and extremely dark, and the sidelights only had their legal half-inch slit, and then I discovered that the one masked headlamp you are allowed wouldn't work. So there we were, and what was to be done? I might have known what my companion would have said and she said it. Drive on, she said, and so I did, and for a while we did pretty well, apart from a mild argument with the pavement in the Tottenham Court Road, and a very gentle jolt into the back of a bus—both incidents being greeted by Auntie with a cheer—and we were getting on famously until we nosed into Bond Street and just didn't notice a red lamp or two and found ourselves suddenly bumping upwards, till we came to a juddering stop on the top of a heap of rubble just short of a bomb crater. And there we were, perched like a very tiny ark on the top of Mount Ararat. Well, that was a situation, wasn't it? Not that Auntie minded: it was all part of the game. I believe it's just what she hoped would happen, and when an air-raid warden appeared and remarked quietly "Hullo, what's this? Mountaineering, eh?" that completed her joy, and I went off to find help. And the odd thing is that I found it. Within ten minutes a breakdown van was there, the little car was lifted down, none the worse for its adventure, and away we went again, safely home at last.

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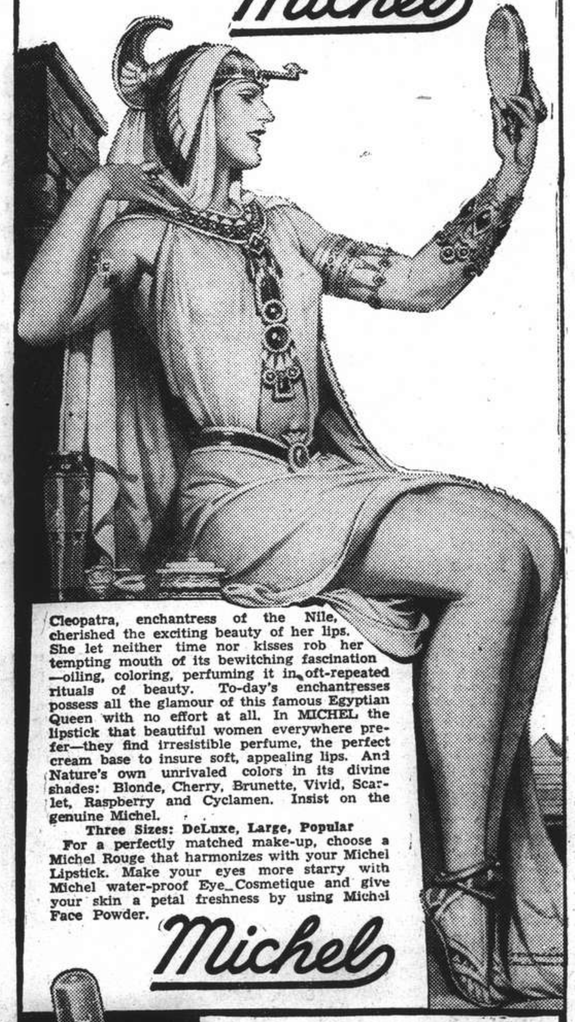

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Bette Happe

APPARENTLY surfeited with spelling Bette Davis' name, a headline writer of the Seattle (Wash.) "Star" recently headed up a story about the film star's marriage as follows:

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Epidemic

AT a time when newspapers are publishing reports of health conditions, the Greenfield (Mass) "Recorder-Gazette" used as a headline:

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In "Doghouse"

THE Bank man in the composing room of the "Observer-Dispatch," Utica, N. Y., was probably in the "doghouse" when he slipped in this slug to announce the following wedding:

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Pure Science

THE holiday season apparently inspired the head writers of the Dallas (Tex.) "Morning News" to unaccustomed heights.

On a story concerning a scientific investigation of the cause of chronic drunkenness appeared this head:

"SCIENCE TO TAKE DRUNK APART TO FIND WHAT MAKES HIM HIC"

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Shorter Grace

As the chaplain at an official luncheon said grace at great length, thanking the Navy, Army, Air and other forces for bringing the food about to be enjoyed, an officer murmured:

"Quite right; quite right. But our commanding officer has a much shorter grace. He rises, looks round, and says:

"'No parsons here? Thank God!'"

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Keeping the Law

TURNING idly over the pages of a friend's Prayer Book, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Leeds came upon the tables of affinity at the end.

Opposite the injunction that a man may not marry his grandmother his friend had written:

"O Lord, have mercy upon me, and incline my heart to keep this law."

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Borrowed

INTIMIDATION of the press in a slightly new form was disclosed in a letter received by the editor of the Everyday Magazine of the St. Louis "Post-Dispatch."

The letter:

"In your food report today you stated that cauliflower was a good buy but my mother went to eight stores today looking for it and it has been definitely high priced. If you continue to print such things in the paper I will stop borrowing it. Yours truly, Jeannette Cook."

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Prepared

ENTERING his house, Mr. Algernon Tomkinson, J.P., picked up a paper containing a detailed plan of his premises.

Doors, windows, stairs—all were sketched. "Send for the police," he shouted to his wife "Burglars are coming to-night."

"Oh, do be quiet, papa!" said his pretty daughter "Dick has got leave today, and is coming here tonight to ask your consent for our marriage. I believe he's in the strategical department."

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Sally the Cat

"You must be congratulated on keeping remarkably fit."

"Thank you."

"Despite your nights out during air-raids."

"I can see no reasson why air-raids should keep one indoors."

"You were observed sitting on the lawn watching the fire bombs burst."

"I thought they were rather pretty."

"And did we also see the figure of the Ginger Cat sitting opposite you?"

"Probably."

"And what was he looking at, you or the fire bombs?"

"I couldn't say."

"According to one competent observer, he never took his eyes off you even when one went off near his tail."

"Oh?"

"Don't you regard this as a rather striking compliment to your beauty?"

"I suppose one could look at it that way."

"There are not many mothers of 100 children who could hold a man's undivided attention with death raining down from the skies."

"I can't see what being the mother of 100 children has to do with it."

"Nothing, except that one might expect such an achievement to remove the first flush of beauty from any cat."

"Is it necessary to make slighting references to one's age?"

"I was not making slighting references. My remarks were intended as a compliment on the way you have preserved your youth."

"Really?"

"While others are ageing rapidly owing to war strain you still look amazingly young. Your fur is thick and glossy, like the fur of a cat in her prime."

"Thank you."

"Perhaps you're not worried about the war?"

"Why should I be?"

"Well, it's rather unpleasant."

"I have suffered no inconvenience."

"Aren't you ever frightened that you might be hit by a bomb?"

"I should know nothing about it if I were."

"You might be hit by a bomb fragment."

"There's no point in worrying about what might happen to you. It's what does happen to you that matters."

"Well, suppose it does happen?"

"Well, then does."

"May we be expecting some more kittens soon?"

"One cannot look into the future."

"Can one entertain reasonable hopes based on known facts?"

"I refuse to discuss the matter."

"I beg your pardon if I intruded on a private matter."

"Granted as soon as asked."

"And I would like to thank you for carrying on calmly in difficult times and then helping to win the war."

"You're welcome."

—Gubbins in the "Sunday Express."

Picturing Objects in Mirrors

If Napoleon Couldn't Do It How Can Hitler Hope to

Emperor's Armies Imbued with Spirit of French Revolution; Dictator's from Oppressed Masses

WHILE armies veer uncertainly across the map of 1941, it is sobering to turn to the inspection of other armies moving across the map of other years. For we know now precisely where they started from and who led them and how far they got, writes Philip Guedalla, the English Historian, to the New York "Times." The causes of their ebb and flow are neatly tabulated in textbooks. Yet, while they were in motion, their impetus and impact were just as incalculable to their contemporaries, as unsolved a riddle, as today's news.

When Napoleon jerked himself back onto the throne of France one March day in 1815 and headed north a few weeks later for an easy Anschluss with the Belgians, nobody in London or along the dusty hedgerows before Waterloo had any notion they were living through the Hundred Days and that there were only twelve more days to go; for, "as oud ancestors saw it first," the greatest living British historian has written, "they did not know whether the Hundred Days, as we now call them, would not stretch out for a hundred years."

But we know all about them now. The movements are all plain to view in the unwinking light of history. We can discern the causes of that inevitable allied victory won by composite and not wholly satisfactory forces over an incomparable army and predominant gun power, wielded by the greatest soldier of his day. It looked unlikely at the time; it looks unlikely still. But the unanswerable fact remains that it happened.

There is no appeal from the event. It flowed from causes which compelled it. We can analyze them now at leisure. We can see that there was very little need for contemporaries to hold their breath in 1815 since it was the inevitable that happened. If it had not come at Waterloo it would have come on the Rhine or in Lorraine. It might have missed that rainy Sabbath day in June; but in that case it would have come in August or September. We can set it clearly now by the cold light of history: and there is a great deal to be said for steadying our shifting survey of the uncertain present by calm inspection of the fixed unalterable past.

Reasoned Forecast of Prospects

Intelligence is normally employed in arguing from the known to the unknown. What is that we wish to know? It would be satisfactory just now to secure a reasoned forecast of the immediate and ultimate prospects of Adolf Hitler. Well, we know what became of Attila. But examination of the course pursued by barbarian invasions before their inevitable check may well be less instructive than a survey of the victorious aggression of Napoleonic France operating over the fields and cities of a more developed Europe. The parable is less remote. The time is nearer to our own and the conditions of the problem more strictly comparable to those in which the riddle of today presents itself for our solution.

For it is not so long (as history counts time) since another conqueror pitched his armies up and down the map in bold defiance of political geography, improved upon the art of war as practised by less enterprising adversaries, and sent lines of bayonets marching through the silent streets of subject capitals. We have seen something of the kind in the unpleasant sequence of Warsaw, Oslo, Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Brussels and Paris. But an older Europe saw a similar event unroll itself down a long avenue that ran through even greater cities. For Rome, Vienna, Berlin, Madrid and Moscow is a roll that has a more impressive ring.

But such marches rarely terminate where the commanders call upon the marching lines to halt. The drums still thundered on until tramping feet echoed in the streets of Paris as the allies brought the war home again full-circle to its starting point. For wars have an uncomfortable way of coming home to roost.

Napoleon's was a career of conquest which we may regard according to our point of view as an epic or an outrage. Our judgment of it is irrelevant today. Yet nothing could well be more relevant than a survey of the causes underlying the tremendous ebb and flow of the Napoleonic armies across Europe. What forces sent them forward? Which factors checked them? How many of the same ingredients are present in our own problem? Here are questions worth answering in 1941.

Range of Napoleonic Conquest

In the first place it is evident that the range of the Napoleonic conquest—compared with the Teutonic raid on Europe—was far wider, both relatively to contemporary means of transport, and even absolutely. Bonaparte's attempt at continental domination opened where Hitler's seems to halt. Late in the summer weeks of 1805 he switched his striking-force from the hills behind Boulogne to Central Europe. They had been waiting hopefully in full view of the English Channel for the chance to invade England, for the chance that never came.

Now, in half an hour of dictation, he launched them at a simpler target—at those Austrians, whom he could always beat. (It is one of Germany's misfortunes that the Austrians and Italians are now there for some one else to beat). The Austrians were waiting in Bavaria. But Napoleon passed north of them and moved 200,000 men in sixteen days into the angle of the Rhine and then wheeled south on a front of 120 miles, eliminated Mack at Ulm and rode into Vienna. Forty-three days after Ulm the Austrians and the Russians were destroyed at Austerlitz.

Next year the Prussian Army was destroyed at Jena. The Emperor rode into Berlin; and in a campaign of seven weeks he had reduced the Hohenzollerns from a European monarchy to a Baltic principality. That was the tempo of the Napoleonic conquest in an age when armies moved no faster than a marching foot-soldier, and human fancy could not grasp anything more rapid than a man on horseback. For the Emperor had nothing to learn from the blitzkrieg, so far as his pace was concerned. It was temporarily slowed up by the winter campaign at the gates of Russia, and even Friedland scarcely served to efface the memory of Eylau.

British Expeditionary Force

But Napoleon's range and pace returned in 1808, as he swept into Madrid and out again in menacing pursuit of the British expeditionary force, which the unchanging ubiquity of sea power had planted on the coast of Portugal. The Emperor was soon sweeping across Europe on Vienna. In a five-day manoeuvre he drove the Austrians into Bohemia; and within three weeks of his arrival in Germany he rode into Vienna once again. That summer there was a good deal of fighting on the level fields outside the city as he tried to convince the Austrians of their defeat. At Aspern-Essling they were slow to learn their lesson. But he emphasized the point at Wagram, and one more war wound up in a Napoleonic victory.

The hunt was resumed in eastern Europe, as Napoleon passed 400,000 men in four days across the Niemen into Russia. In twelve weeks he was at Moscow, riding into the last conquered capital of his career. This time a military victory was indecisive, and the geographical achievement of occupying Moscow and thrusting into the heart of Russia proved indecisive too. For the heart of Russia proved to be movable. It was in the Russian armies; and since they managed to elude his blows, Napoleon never reached it with his thrust. (It was the lesson of 1812, and it may well be that of 1940, that a military victory is not necessarily decisive).

Compared to Cannon Ball

A shrewd English soldier once compared Napoleon's career to the trajectory of a cannon ball, which must either go on or drop. When he could go on no further, Napoleon dropped; and the stages of his fall are marked by the names of the receding tide of battles fought with decreasing forces as his armies ebbed toward the French frontier. Then the war entered France. Guns thundered at the gates of Paris, and presently the tide of foreign uniforms flowed victoriously through its conquered streets, as a whitefaced man sat huddled in a Russian Army cloak in the far corner of his carriage, while hooting mobs with angry eyes threatened their Emperor on his way to exile. That was the end, until he made a swift return the next year, thrust into Belgium, and tasted final military failure 25 miles from the French frontier at Waterloo.

There in brief panorama is the episode of Napoleon Bonaparte, whose interruption of the course of history ended for himself in tropical exile at St. Helena and for his countrymen in defeat and impaired man power, leading them a generation later to Sedan and, a generation after that, to Vichy.

Is there any parallel with today's phenomenon, the monomaniac who is Europe's lord of misrule from the Russian frontier to the Bay of Biscay? The two men are immeasurably different. As I remember writing in these pages a year or so ago:

"Hitler, if his own professions are to be believed, is nothing if not German. This is the authentic war-whoop with which Arminius's braves came yelling through the trees of the Teutoburgerwald at Varus's huddled legionaires. But on which side would you have found Napoleon that day? His place was surely in the Roman ranks. For if ever there was a Latin it was Napoleon Bonaparte."

His clear-cut intelligence, his wine, his women—could anything stand in more vivid contrast with "those solitary reveries on misty mountain tops, that fanaticism about blood and breed, that vegetarian celibacy" of the hazy German, intoxicated with false erudition and Wagnerian memories? There is little enough to be learned from a comparison of the two men, since as human beings they are scarcely comparable. But it is not unprofitable to juxtapose their two careers, to confront newspaper readers with Napoleon's achievement.

What forces sent Napoleon forward to ephemeral success? Which factors checked him permanently? And how many of them are present in or absent from the challenge of today's German aggression?

Surge of French Armies

His own military genius (and the ineptitude of his adversaries) apart, Napoleon was carried forward to his triumphs on the surge of the French armies. Now the French armies in the first decade of the nineteenth century were moved by a distinctive driving power, which they owed to the French Revolution. It was barely a dozen years since the young republic had faced the world in arms.

The challenge of the European monarchies was heard in Paris, where men had dared to execute a king and drown privilege in blood. For the Revolution was not gentle. But to the people who had made it the Revolution stood for their whole future; and when it was challenged France stood to arms, unfurled the Tricolour and marched to war with beating drums. That was the temper of the French armies after they had made the little general from Corsica First Consul of the Republic, and the First Consul crowned himself Emperor of the French.

For the older men in any unit of the Imperial Army had served in the revolutionary ranks. First called to the colours in the defence of the Revolution, they had marched with Bonaparte into Italy or with Moreau on the Rhine; and the endless wars of the empire were for them a mere continuation of their republican campaigning. They charged at Austerlitz with the same dash, the same contempt for unemancipated enemies as they had experienced in the bright dawn of the republic.

The Revolution was a driving power of incomparable force; and the last wash of that tremendous wave still had strength 20 years away to send the Emperor's cuirassiers up the trampled slope toward the British squares at Waterloo.

No Parallel in Germany

The motive power of the Revolution was the force by which Napoleon was enabled to drive his imperial juggernaut across Europe. Behind him revolutionary France was a powerhouse. Can we discover any parallel in contemporary Germany? Those eccentrics who can still detect any traces of genuine revolutionary impulse in the sordid alternation of trickery and violence by which Nazi showmanship imposed itself upon the German Republic may proclaim that here once more a revolution faces the world in arms.

Was it a revolution? Are we really sure that the same human impulses which stormed the Bastille burned the Reichstag? Is the Horst Wessel song a "Marseillaise"? And were the Nazi nominees of Rhenish heavy industry the young Dantons of a new republic? The French of '93 were fighting to be free. The Germans of today are fighting to be conquerors. They announce it once each week to conquered Poles and Dutchmen. Tribal impulse or a nation's lust for international revenge may be a formidable thing. But it bears no possible resemblance to the swinging step that carries men forward to their freedom. That was the pace at which the French armies hurried across Europe. That force sustained them; and it was eventually canalized to turn the grinding mills of the Napoleonic Empire.

Outcrops of Tribal Savagery

But there is nothing of the kind discernible in Germany today. Pride wounded by military failure to snatch world victory in 1918; a craving for revenge; unpleasant outcrops of old tribal savagery; pride of race—these are the dark ingredients of the Nazi brew. Skilful distillery may render them intoxicating for a time to limited sections of a dosed population. But that drugged onset of a hypnotized community has nothing in common with the charging step that sent the Tricolour and the "Marseillaise" half way round the world a century ago.

There is no analogy between the revolutionary era and our own. If there is any parallel with ours it lies in the Elizabethan age—that "dangerous world of ideologies, despots, persecutions, treacherous propaganda and broken treaties, of war under the pretense of peace." That was a time when England once again was the last fortress of the world's freedom and English eyes were strained into the Channel mists for the first sight of the Armada. But the French Empire breathed another air—the atmosphere of easy growth that follows the great rains of true revolution.

There is another difference besides. A French invasion under Napoleon was a formidable thing. But it carried with it certain advantages for those classes of society which were the beneficiaries of the French Revolution. Old privileges vanished in a revolutionary blaze of tricolours. Dynasties seemed to evaporate; law was largely simplified; philosophy appeared to gain what organized religion sometimes lost. For, strangely enough, a European was sometimes freer under French administration than he had been in the shadow of his native feudalism. The foreign conqueror positively threatened to deprive Spain of the Inquisition.

Nazi Brings His Inquisition

But what man is freer where the German treads today? Ask them in Amsterdam and Oslo and Paris. The Nazi brings his own inquisition in the shuttered automobiles of the Gestapo. No foreign population can delude itself with hopes of enlarged freedom as the swastika flutters up to its masthead. There are no foreign units in the German Army yet Napoleon's forces were full of foreign elements. Polish lancers, Italian troopers rode with his veterans. But Norwegian infantry is rarely seen in German columns. No Poles, no Hollanders and no Czechs march with their conquerors. Each conquest has only served to add another weight to the growing burden of world dominion, to stretch the training cord of power a little tighter.

Is there any parallel between the Napoleonic age and ours? Then, as now, a growing circle of threatened peoples faced the challenge of a conqueror. But then he was sustained by the forces inherent in revolution and denied to servile Germany today. Those forces drove the engine of his power and prolonged his term of conquest.

There have been other efforts by other individuals at single-handed domination of the world. From time to time a Roman Emperor achieved it by reason of the simple fact that he had gained control of the Roman administrative and military machine and of the vast area already subject to it. Other barbarian raiders from the East—Attila, Tamerlane, Genghis Khan—leaped into the saddle of world dominion with a running start, barbarism impinging suddenly on the settled civilizations.

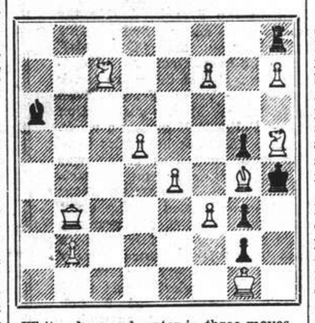
Is that the true analogy with all we are facing now? It may be. Hitler's epiphany has far more in common with the racing hordes of high-cheeked savages that broke in spray across the world than with the steady tramp of the Old Guard, the pounding charge of his cuirassiers rising in their stirrups with a roar of "*Vive l'Empereur!*" as they swept past the small, great-coated figure on the gray barb. For he was an eagle among conquerors. But now we face a vulture.

THE American Students Union recently wired a message to the Chinese Students Movement Association in Chungking to express its sympathy for China and support for all nations who are victims of aggression, according to the "Cheng Yien Pao" The American Students Union, the message added, was considering the best measure to adopt to urge the American Government to give every possible assistance to China in her fight for national freedom and emancipation, the report concludes.

CHESS

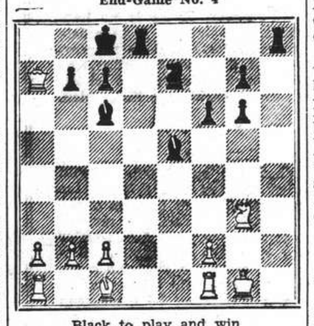
PROBLEM No. 254

BY JOSEPH WARTON



White plays and mates in three moves.

End-Game No. 4



Black to play and win

(Schiffers-Tchigorin, match game St. Petersburg, 1897. Perhaps the most beautiful missed opportunity in master play. This may be recalled by veteran enthusiasts, but it is worth a second look.)

Answer to Problem No. 253

White: K on QB1; R's on Q1, KR4; B on QR2; Kt's on K3, 8; P's on QB3, K4, KB3. Black K on K4; B on KR3; Kt on KKt4; P's on K2, KB4, KKt2. 3. Two moves. Key R — Q7. Variations: 1. P — K3, 2. Kt — B4; 1. P × P, 2. P — KB4; 1. P — B5, 2. Kt — Kt4; 1. Kt — K3, 2. R — Q5; 1. Kt else, 2. R × P. Waiting Key; 4 specimens of Black self-blocks allowing White self-interference. The Black B puzzles some solvers—how did he get there? A similar difficulty arose in the classical example of the apple and the dumpling. In the present case, the B has been promoted from a curate—P. A chess problem must be a possible position in a game; about one in a million is a probable.

The following submitted correct solutions to Prob. No. 253:—Liaf Reven and E.A.P.—"Observer."

CONTRACT

BY ALBERT H. MOREHEAD

(In the New York "Times")

Several reports from England, including comment in "The Times" of London, indicate that the war has, if anything, increased the amount of bridge playing there. In army camps, specially, bridge is said to be much played, perhaps because the officers and soldiers, being principally engaged in waiting for a possible invasion of their country, are relatively inactive for an army in the field.

The committee on laws of the Portland Club of London has begun once more to participate in the projected revision of the present contract bridge code. Nearly all the members of the Portland Club's committee are engaged in some sort of war work, but they recently sent to the American committees more than 20 pages of proposed new laws and comments on them. The American law committees represent the Whist Club of New York and the American Contract Bridge League.

Apart from the scoring, the law which provokes the greatest number of questions among average players concerns the penalty for a revoke. Partial agreement already reached between the British and American committees promises that this law will surely be revised in some manner which will make it simpler to understand and more equitable in its operation.

Small Slam on Triple

In the following deal South courageously bid a "Yarborough" hand (containing no card of honour rank) and suddenly found himself playing a redoubled small-slam contract.

North: ♠ A 6 ♡ — ◇ K Q J 8 3 ♣ A K Q 9 5 4

West: ♠ K Q J 10 9 ♡ A 9 6 4 ◇ A 10 ♣ 10 [5]

East: ♠ 8 7 3 ♡ K Q J 10 7 ◇ — ♣ J 6 2 [3]

South: ♠ 4 2 ♡ 8 5 ◇ 9 7 6 5 4 2 ♣ 8 7 3

East-West were vulnerable. The bidding:

West	North	East	South
1 Spade	Double	2 Hearts	3 Diamonds
4 Spades	5 Diamonds	5 Hearts	Pass
Pass	6 Diamonds	Pass	Pass
Double	Redouble	Pass	Pass
Pass			

A spade opening, driving out dummy's ace while West still had the ace of trumps, would have defeated the contract, but West opened the ace of hearts and South was easily able to make his redoubled slam.

Seizing an Opportunity

A hand of the following type comes up regularly, if rarely, and always wins praise for the declarer who sees and uses the deceptive play:

North: ♠ 10 ♡ 8 ◇ A K 10 8 5 2 ♣ Q 8 6 5 2

West: ♠ 8 7 6 5 ♡ K Q J 9 2 ◇ 9 3 ♣ K 10

East: ♠ 9 4 3 ♡ 10 7 4 3 ◇ Q 7 6 ♣ A J 9

South: ♠ A K Q J 2 ♡ A 6 5 ◇ J 4 ♣ 7 4 3

East-West were vulnerable. The bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 Diamond	Pass	1 Spade
Pass	2 Clubs	Pass	3 Spades
Pass	4 Diamonds	Pass	4 Spades
Pass	Pass	Pass	

West opened the king of hearts, and South, despite the singleton in dummy, played the five of hearts and let the king win. He knew that West's next lead must be a trump, and West did lead the spade five. Dummy's ten would have won but South overtook with the jack and drew four rounds of trumps. On these he discarded two clubs and a diamond from dummy. South then led the jack of diamonds and finessed. East won the diamond queen, but had been deceived into thinking West had the heart ace, and returned a heart. This gave South the lead, and his losing clubs went off on the remaining diamonds in dummy. If South had won the first heart and ruffed a heart, he would in the first place have had no good lead from dummy after that, and in the second place he could not have expected to get back in the lead after the first round of diamonds before the opponents had taken two or three club tricks and defeated the contract.

Test Question

The principal type of overbidding by average players occurs when they have previously made a take-out double. They forget that most of the strength of their hands has already been shown by the double. Assuming the following bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 Heart	Double	Pass	1 Spade
2 Diamonds			

what should West do, holding:

(1) ♠ A Q 6 ♡ A 5 ◇ K 7 6 3 ♣ K J 9 4

(2) ♠ A Q 9 5 ♡ 3 ◇ K Q 8 ♣ Q J 8 7 5

(3) ♠ K Q 8 7 2 ♡ A 3 ◇ 9 2 ♣ A K 5 4

Answers

(1) Pass. West has little more trump support for East's spades than his double has shown, and little extra in honor strength. East may have a very weak hand. (2) Two spades. The distributional support for spades is greater than the double promised, but a jump to three spades would be a decided overbid. (3) Three spades. It is unlikely that more than four tricks will be lost even if East has an almost worthless hand. This is a strong rebid and East, if he has as much as one ace in his hand, should go on to game.

Snapshot Guild

An argument is more interesting if both sides get a fair break—and it lasts longer. The same rule applies to many snapshot subjects. Put a mirror in the picture, to show both back and front of your subject—and your picture will have twice as much to tell.

It's no trouble to take snapshots of this type—so long as you have your subject close to the glass. Just focus for the distance from mirror to camera, use a small lens opening—and both the subject and its reflection will be sharp.

However, as the subject backs away from the glass, the reflection also backs away—in the opposite direction. In other words, it gets farther away from the camera. Therefore, to get the reflection sharp, you must do a bit of simple addition before you focus. Just measure the distance from camera to mirror, add the distance from subject to mirror—and set the focusing scale for the sum of these distances.

As an example: suppose the camera is six feet from the mirror, and the subject two feet from the mirror. Then, if you want the sharpest possible picture of the reflection, set the focus at eight feet. To get both reflection and subject sharp, use focus at the mirror—in this case, six feet.

Before shooting a "mirror" picture, check the position of your photo lights. These have to be to one side of the subject, in most cases. Be sure that light does not shine on the camera lens, and also see that the mirror does not reflect an image of the lights into the camera.

In addition to wall mirrors, doors, and the like, try pictures of reflections in a mirror-bottomed tray or table. Your can get some extremely good angle shots in this manner, and they add interest to your snapshot collection.

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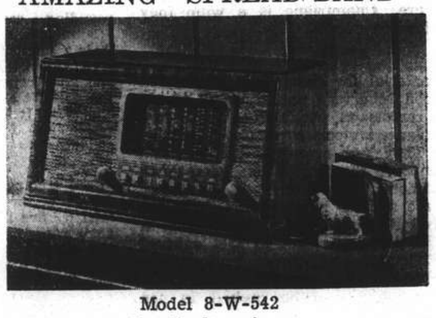

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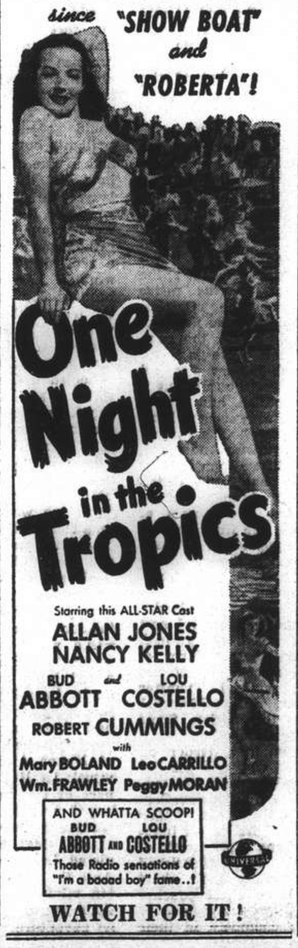

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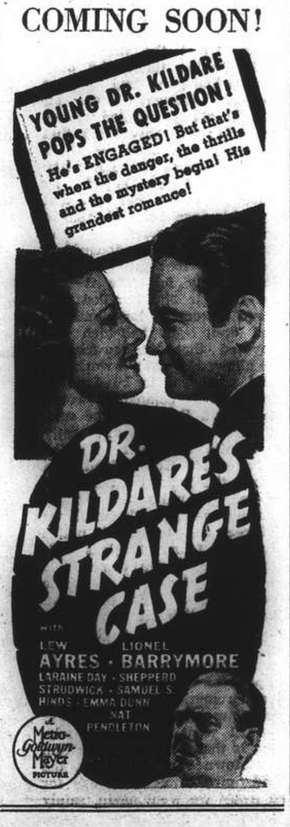


PASSING SHOW NEWS AND NOTES

"Kitty Foyle"

Ginger Rogers, coming soon to Shanghai, wins Academy Oscar.

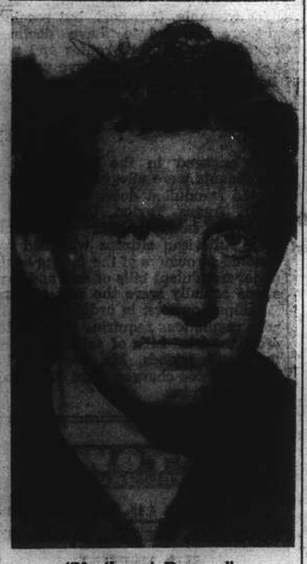
Current Films

CATHAY.—"21 Days Together."—Two world famous stars together for the first time in the thrilling and romantic story of a boy and a girl who married and found happiness for three weeks, even while they knew the police were hunting them for murder. With Vivien Leigh, Laurence Olivier, Leslie Banks, Francis L. Sullivan, Esme Percy, Hay Petrie and an important supporting cast.

NANKING and METROPOL.—"The Thief of Bagdad."—Packed with all the magic, mystery and romance of "the Arabian Nights" and filmed in technicolour this dazzling page from Eastern Fantasy, with its flying horses, magic carpets and gigantic djinns easily outvies anything of the kind ever thrown upon a screen. Starring Sabu, June Duprez, John Justin and Conrad Veidt. This is the latest Alexander Korda production.

GRAND.—"Tin Pan Alley."—The year's most exciting musicale, stirring with romance and laughter, memories and melodies of the unbelievable street that turns out as if by clockwork all America's hit tunes. With Alice Faye, Betty Grable, Jack Oakie, John Payne, Allen Jenkins, Esther Ralston, the Nicholas Bros. and Ben Carter.

ROXY.—"Northwest Passage."—Pioneer epic starring Spencer Tracy at the head of a brilliant cast which includes Robert Young—in the finest performance of his career—and the talented Ruth Hussey.



"Northwest Passage"

Spencer Tracy has a rugged role at the Roxy Theatre.

DOUMER.—"Invisible Man Returns."—Based on the fantastic novel by H. G. Wells, the film tells of the new, hair-raising, spine-tingling escapades of the man rendered invisible by a secret formula. Sir Cedric Harwicke, Vincent Price and Nan Grey.

CAPITOL.—"Elizabeth and Essex."—All the glittering pageantry of the last days of chivalry live again in this tempestuous tale of England's greatest queen and the man who staked his head in a mad fight for love and a throne. In technicolour. With Bett Davis, Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland, Donald Crisp, Alan Hale and Vincent Price.

GOLDEN GATE.—"Brother Orchid."—Sarto decides to give up racketeering and become a monk—finds in quiet shades of the monastery a very pressing need for his peculiar talents. With Edward G. Robinson, Ann Sothern, Humphrey Bogart, Allen Jenkins and Cecil Kellaway.

Films Coming

"Jennie."—Here is the surprise picture of the season! The heart-warming tale of a girl who battled in a woman's way to tame a family tyrant, hold the man she loved and transform eight empty lives. With Virginia Gilmore, William Henry, George Montgomery, Ludwig Stossel, Dorris Bowdon, Rand Brooks, Joan Valeire and Rita Quigley. Coming soon to the **CATHAY.**

"Dr. Kildare's Strange Case."—Fourth of the popular series to come to Shanghai and starring the well-known trio of Lew Ayres, Lionel Barrymore and Laraine Day. This picture is considered in America as the best of the four. Coming next to the **ROXY.**

"City for Conquest."—A disillusionned Old Timer tells the turbulent story of a hard fisted boy from the slums and a reckless girl from Heaven-knows-where who teamed up to make a killing in the world's toughest metropolis. Starring James Cagney and Ann Sheridan, with Frank Craven, Donald Crisp, Frank McHugh, Arthur Kennedy, George Tobias, Jerome Cowan and Ella Kazan. Coming soon to the **GRAND.**

"One Night in the Tropics."—An all-star, all-entertainment cast romps through a delightfully unusual story replete with warm romance and hilarious with merry-making, and set to melodies in a gorgeous tropical environment. Starring Allan Jones, Nancy Kelly, Robert Cummings, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, with Mary Boland, Leo Carrillo, William Frawley and Peggy Moran. Coming soon to the **NANKING.**

"One Million B.C."—Imagination runs riot in this gigantic attempt to reconstruct the world as it was when man was still in the making and mammoth beasts battled with him for supremacy countless aeons before the birth of history. Featuring Victor Mature, Carole Landis, Lon Chaney, John Hubbard and Mamo Clark. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Judge Hardy and Son."—The Hardy films have been established as the most widely-followed series on the screen in the past few years, and this is another hit—with Mickey Rooney, Lewis Stone, Cecilia Parker, Fay Holden and Sarah Haden—the stars movie-goers have learnt to love since the series first began some two years ago. Coming to the **ROXY.**

"No, No, Nanette."—Reviving the ear-haunting melodies that made it famous in five continents and telling the hilarious tale of an old man's backslidings and his niece's efforts to straighten out the resulting tangles. With a great cast headed by Anna Neagle, Richard Carlson, Victor Mature, Roland Young, Zasu Pitts, Eve Arden and Billy Gilbert. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Tin Pan Alley"

Alice Faye is starred at the Grand in this smart musicale.

"Free, Blonde and 21."—Nights of drama and thrill-packed suspense at a New York hotel for women, with some girls playing the game, while others play the fool and—at least one of them—the sneak. With Lynn Bari, Mary Beth Hughes, Joan Davis, Henry Wilcoxon, Robert Lowry, Alan Baxter, Katharine Aldridge, Helen Ericson and Chick Chandler. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

"Kit Carson."—Spotlighting the adventure-filled episodes that made up the real-life story of the greatest of all American frontier scouts, this thrilling and romantic action drama is a veritable saga of Covered Wagon days in the lawless old West. Starring Jon Hall, Lynn Bari, Dana Andrews, Ward Bond, Renie Riano, Clayton Moore and Rowena Cook. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"The Villain Still Pursued Her."—You'll see the lovely heroine saved from a fate worse than death in a "hand-over-the-gal-and I'll-tear-up-the mortgage" melodrama, played just as it was in the good old days. Featuring Hugh Herbert, Anita Louise, Alan Mowbray, Buster Keaton, Joyce Compton, Richard Cromwell, Billy Gilbert, Margaret Hamilton, Dianne Fisher and Charles Judels. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

"Boom Town."—With such a magnificent cast as Spencer Tracy, Clark Gable, Claudette Colbert and Hedy Lamarr, this great drama provides superlative entertainment. There is action aplenty, laid against the colourful background of oil wells and oil fires, while the acting of Gable and Tracy leaves nothing to be desired, not to mention such excellent feminine support. Coming soon to the **ROXY.**

"21 Days Together"

With Laurence Olivier, Vivien Leigh stars at the Cathy.

To Dine and Dance

ARGENTINA.—Night club. George Roth and his orchestra. Ricardo Woo, Sitnikova and Anatole and Olympia.

BALALAIKA.—Sandor Stern. Floor show.

BLACK CAT.—Night club. Klein and Rink.

BOLERO.—Night club. K. James and Guy Roberts.

CASANOVA.—Gloria Andico's orchestra. Floor show.

CATHAY HOTEL LOUNGE.—Morning and afternoon tea and cocktails. Tea concerts.

CATHAY RESTAURANT. — 8th floor.

COSMO CLUB. — Morris' orchestra. Dorothy Baker and June West and Kay.

D. D.'s NIGHT CLUB.—Russian and foreign style cuisine. Tino's orchestra. Floor show.

FARREN'S.—Mike's Music Masters. Volsky's Follies and Sally.

JESSFIELD.—Night club. Teddy and Ferry Guzza.

METROPOLE HOTEL.—Grill and dining rooms for business tiffins and other occasions.

PACIFIC HOTEL.—Dinner dances. Sunday tea dance. Soffre's orchestra.

PARAMOUNT.—Cabaret. Tony Diaz's swing orchestra.

PARK HOTEL.—Dancing nightly. Sunday tea dance. Ikla' orchestra. Jani Ballan and floor show.

ROXY.—Night club. Harry Fisher's swing band.

TOWER.—Night club. Tower orchestra. Larissa Anders. Nightly excepting Sunday.

"Thief of Bagdad"

John Justin and Sabu are co-starred at the Nanking and Metropol Theatres in Korda's technicolour achievement.

Mr. Ralph and Mrs. "Cappy" Holt

Mr. Ralph Lynn is the co-producer with Oliver Langley of "XCDN Calling," to be produced at the Lyceum Theatre on March 11, 12 and 13 in aid of the British Voluntary War Contribution Fund. Mrs. Holt plays the lead in Noel Coward's "Red Peppers," one of the outstanding features of the show.

Art and Journalism; The "Bests" of 1940

Now that the 13th annual awards of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Science have been made public—in yesterday's issue of the "North-China Daily News"—it is possible that the New York critics may raise their voices contrarywise. The Academy voted an Oscar for Ginger Rogers ("Kitty Foyle") and to Jimmy Stewart for his "Philadelphia Story." Both films are in local vaults, but screening dates have not been fixed. "Rebecca" was voted the best picture of the year.

On the other hand, New York critics gave the palm to John Steinbeck's "Grapes of Wrath" and to John Ford for its direction. He also was commended for "The Long Voyage Home." Twenty ballots were taken before he received the necessary two-thirds majority. Twenty-three ballots were required to give Charles Chaplin honours for his "Dictator," with James Stephenson ("The Letter") and Thomas Mitchell ("Long Voyage") runners-up. Katharine Hepburn for her work in "The Philadelphia Story" received the accolade; Bette Davis ("The Letter") and Joan Fontaine ("Rebecca") were her nearest competitors.

"Merrie England"

The production of this tuneful and spectacular comic opera with libretto by Basil Hood and music by Edward German on March 29, 31 and April 1 to 5, inclusive, is likely to prove the high spot of the Shanghai season. The main object of the production is to raise as large a sum as possible for the benefit of British War Funds though, apart from that every endeavour is being made to make "Merrie England" a production worthy of the highest traditions of the A.D.C.

An excellent cast of principals has been assembled, having been carefully selected to fill their particular parts while Mr. H. F. Baker is training the chorus up to concert pitch. Through the generosity of many members of the cast, and friends of the A.D.C. it has been made possible to mount the opera in sumptuous style and Mrs. Newman and her associates will present some stage pictures seldom seen at the Lyceum and some particularly attractive new scenes are being painted.

Holt's Silver Jubilee

A film actor who might almost be accounted as everlasting is Jack Holt who has just been celebrating 25 years as a film star. One cannot say that now Holt is as much of a celebrity as at any time, but his name is still one to conjure with. When he started his screen career Theda Bara was a vamp. "The Birth of A Nation" was marking a new departure in film production and Mary Pickford was Jack Holt's opposite number.

In a very busy and consistent career Holt has made no less than 178 pictures with more than 150 leading ladies. To celebrate his silver jubilee some of these ladies gave him a party. They included Mary Pickford, Mary Astor, Dolores Costello, Jeanette Macdonald, Jean Arthur and Clara Kimball Young.

Ah well, they are gone now. May they rest in peace in whatever cinematic potter's field they lie. They will be superseded, no doubt, soon enough.

Band Leader's Return

The guests at the Tower last night, and the place was well filled, gave Mike Goldstein, leader of the orchestra, a happy welcome. He had been away from the stand for one month and was confined to hospital. Fit as the fiddle he plays, he led his men with carefree abandon, which reflected on his listeners. With him, Eddie Brown (bull fiddle), Porges at the piano and Romanoff at the drums and microphone respondea dnd everything moved smoothly.

Larissa Anders, fresh from a sparkling performance with the Russian Light Opera an hour previously, demonstrated her versatility with two charming numbers. From the stage to a ballroom floor and equally competent on both requires deft ness—and she accomplished it.

Few Husks from a Field of Corn

Condensed Roll-call of Worst Cinema Offerings Of Passed Year

Let others distill the fragrance of the semester's "best ten," writes Theodore Strauss in the New York "Times." We also have a list and it is no less odoriferous. We have not chosen to call to task those urchin offerings which wandered into the second and third run houses, gazed wistfully about and vanished into cinematic oblivion. Rather we have selected those much-announced fellows who have swaggered across the screen amid reams of publicity only to fall flat on their faces.

Perhaps there is in their failure a lesson of sorts but we have not the heart to look for it, unless it is that bad pictures never go to a cinema heaven but frequently make $1,000,000 nevertheless. At any rate, here they are and we offer them to you, gentle reader—as pungent a nosegay of flops as might be plucked from the past twelvemonth.

For several reasons, including Akim Tamiroff's well-cured performance in the central role, we distinctly cherish "The Way of All Flesh," a remake of the old tear-jerker in which a modest little bank cashier went to the big city and succumbed to the blandishments of a lady who'd been round. We remember particularly that moment when the temptress induced the cashier to shave off his luxuriant whiskers, leaving Mr. Tamiroff with an intense sense of nakedness.

And what of that companion handbook in cliché, "Untamed," in which Ray Milland went to the North Woods for the betterment of his soul and fell in love with the wife of his guide, who again turned out to be Mr. Tamiroff but with an unaltered accent. In this one, Mr. Tamiroff helped things along by freezing to death—in technicolour—at a handy moment.

Prehistoric Hides Donned

The retreat to the past reached its extreme in "One Million B. C.," the sort of yarn one might expect from an unfrocked curator of a Natural History Museum, and in which Miss Carole Landis, more familiarly known as the "Ping Girl," donned prehistoric hides but kept her coiffure intact.

"South of Pago-Pago" was such a pompously long-winded recounting of all the evils that the white man has brought to the blessed isles that it raised the question of when an escapist film ceases being an escape and becomes unutterable boredom. In this one all the natives talked like tenth-rate poets and Frances Farmer, as a Singapore trollop with a conscience, essayed the all-mother mood.

Darryl Zanuck, whose "Grapes of Wrath" is among the "ten best," tried to trip the light fantastic in "The Blue Bird," but merely betrayed his bunnions. The sweetness and light in this sugary gable of the quest for the blue bird of happiness had approximately the same effect as too much chocolate cake.

Ersatz was the word for "I Take This Woman," in which Spencer Tracy struggled with his passions and the recollection that his wife (Hedy Lamarr) had been a wife before. Miss Lamarr didn't help a bit and neither did the fact that three directors successively struggled with the script.

"Moon Over Burma" we selected because it is practically a lampoon on the typical Dorothy Lamour film, which already are caricatures of the sort of stuff that sailors' dreams are made on.

"Bitter Sweet," the remake of the nostalgic old Noel Coward musicale, with Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy woodenly arraying themselves in sundry romantic postures, was neither bitter nor sweet but just plain flavourless.

"Little Men" was the Towne and Baker transgression on Louisa Alcott's sentimental story, chiefly notable for the screen debut of Elsie, the cow.

And the back of our hand to "Turnabout," the film version of Thorne Smith's insinuating satire of a young couple who magically exchange marital roles. Told with all the grace of a smoking-car joke, the film definitely merited the distinction of being in "the worst taste of the year."

Farren's Floor Show

The entertainment bill presented at Farren's, with the change of programme, is unique in that it combines character, interpretative dancing and remarkable stunts as well.

Nina Krilova has taken Shanghai by storm with her excellent performances, specially her version of the snake dance, which she is executing at Farren's tonight. Light as a feather on her feet, she performs her extremely difficult contortions with grace, skill and smoothness that immediately arouses a sense of appreciation. The entire group of the lovely girls of Volsky's Midnight Follies of 1941 are contributing two numbers—a colourfull execution the "Parade of Calambians" and a dance of the American Red Indians.

Sally, the International chantress has captured the hearts of Farren's patrons with her lovely voice.

"Maisie" Sequels

There are film serials and film serials. There are those which deal with one long exciting story, leaving off each section at an exceptionally breathless moment. And there are the serials of the Hardy type, each completing itself and dealing with the successive adventures of a particular group of persons. To the latter order belong the "Maisie" series in which Ann Sothern has maintained the central role.

Already we have had the original "Maisie" followed by "Congo Maisie" and "Gold Rush Maisie." The next will be "Maisie Was a Lady." Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer are clearly determined to lose no chance of making this one as popular as its foregoers. Of course, Miss Sothern will continue to play the name part. The cast with her would be enough to establish the reputation of any first class feature film.

To start with Lew Ayres will desert his "Dr. Kildare" characterization, to play, opposite Miss Sothern, the part of Bob Bigelow, irresponsible and usually inebriate. Maisie will reform him in the end. Then, as supporting players, there will be Maureen O'Sullivan, Rita Johnson and C. Aubrey Smith. Here we have a quintet of distinguished players such as are seldom found in a film serial.

Humans in Fairyland

The nearest approach to compromise between fairyland and reality is when actual actors and actresses have been employed and the magic suggested by trick camera work. This was the method in making the very successful "Wizard of Oz" and it is the method employed by Mr. Korda in making "The Thief of Bagdad." One bears in mind the earlier version of this theme produced by Douglas Fairbanks, snr., in the silent days and the ingenuity he displayed in the magic element.

The present coloured and sound version may be accounted the most successful of all the attempts to show humans in fairyland. The story goes that Mr. Korda was suddenly caught by the idea of making the tale round the Indian boy, Sabu, and Sabu has certainly justified his choice. Another highly successful appearance in Eastern fantasy is that of Rex Ingram who was "de Lawd" in "Green Pastures" and is now the djin of the Bottle.

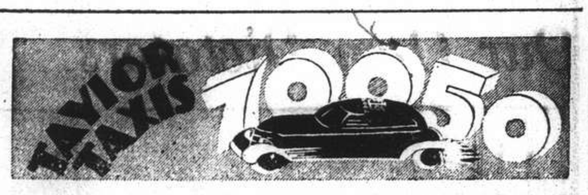
There are not a few discriminating critics of the pictures who believe that the expression of fantasy is the essential work of the screen and that it will develop further and further in that direction.

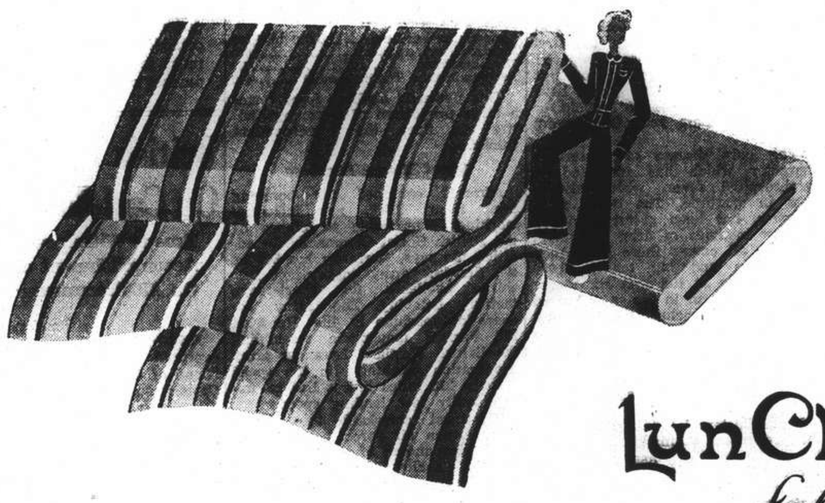
Lewis Stone's Contract

Lewis Stone has just signed a new long-term contract with M.G.M. This is in continuance of an association which has lasted seventeen years, for Stone first signed with them in 1924. Almost inevitably his first role under the new contract will be in the next Hardy Family picture, with Mickey Rooney, Cecilia Parker, Fay Holden, Ann Rutherford and Sara Haden as principals.

Lewis Stone's pictures have been innumerable and have included "Grand Hotel," "Mata Hari," "Queen Christina," "A Woman of Affairs," "The Big House," "Romance" and probably hundreds of others. He has the distinction of having played with Greta Garbo in more pictures than any other actor. Thanks to the Hardy series, it is doubtful if there is any more popular actor on the screen today.

Frank Darien, veteran character actor, began his acting career in the same year William Jennings Bryan ran for president of the United States. He holds a record of having played featured roles for every major and independent studio in Hollywood. His most recent one is with Jean Arthur and William Holden in Columbia's "Arizona."





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Japan Pays Huge Price for China War

Cost in Gold, Loss of Trade and Revenue from Shipping High

Washington, Mar. 1.

Japan has paid a heavy price in gold, loss of trade and shipping revenue for her campaign to conquer China, with the prospect that continued heavy sacrifice will be required as long as strife continues in the Far East, according to impartial international experts and economists consulted by the United Press.

A net gold movement of about $700,000,000 to the United States since the Marco Polo bridge incident is but one index to this price.

Japan's ties with the Axis, it is believed, will increase rather than ease her potential economic burdens because neither Germany nor Italy is able to maintain supply-and-demand commercial relations with the Far Eastern Empire which would give economic assistance in goods and services if not in money or credit.

Gradual Growth

In the year 1935 Japan's foreign trade reached an all-time record high, and her industrial production had a "peak" year. Using raw materials from depressed foreign markets, bought at extremely low prices, Japan with low wages and her own merchant marine was moving toward a position of greater industrial self-containment and tremendous international commercial power. The United States offered an improving market to Japanese silk and manufactured commodities.

Less than two years later, in July, 1937, occurred the ominous incident of the Marco Polo Bridge, near Peiping, which now is regarded as one of the mileposts in world history since it ushered in Japan's drastic policy against China.

Since then Japan has purchased incalculable quantities of industrial materials and equipment for indirect military purposes, and her normal economy has evolved largely in the light of war needs. Japan has incurred a steady deficit in her merchandise balances with the United States. This has resulted in a steady flow of gold from Japan to the United States.

In 1937 the net gold movement from Japan to the United States was US$246,500,000 (on a basis of $35 to the fine ounce); in 1938 the net movement was US$168,700,000; in 1939, US$169,600,000. In the first 11 months of 1940 the movement was about US$98,400,000. The end of the movement is not yet in sight, as commercial statistics still show a heavy surplus of United States exports to Japan over purchases from there.

Heavy Imports

In the first ten months of 1940, United States exports to Japan were valued at US$191,415,000, compared to US$179,377,000 in the same period of 1939. Japan during the year increased her purchases of wood pulp, petroleum products, iron ingots, steel mill manufactures, copper, and metal-working machinery.

United States imports of Japanese products during ten months of this year were US$122,667,000, compared to US$123,312,000 in the previous year, despite increased value of United States silk imports.

Insofar as the United States is concerned, Japan is financing the heavy imports essential to her wartime economy by sales of merchandise, chiefly silk, and shipments of gold. There may be some "invisible" items in the international balance that count in her favour, as for example, transport, but receipts from ocean freight are believed to have declined owing to diversion of ships to other routes and war services. Tourist expenditures in Japan have practically ceased, and immigrant remittances are negligible. —United Press.

Britain's Health Even Better Than in Peacetime

No Cases of Epidemics; Negligible Number of Bomb Shock Cases; Children Generally Well

London, Mar. 1.

THE British civilian front has stood up to Hitler's aerial *Blitzkrieg* remarkably well in more ways than one. Not only has national *moral* been unaffected by Nazi frightfulness, but national health has remained unimpaired.

Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister of Health, told me today: "In general Britain's health is not only better than this time last year, but even better than during the last two winters of peace. There have been no cases of epidemics, a negligible number of bomb shock cases, and children have been little affected.

"Influenza deaths in London and big towns totalled 778 in the first six weeks of this year compared with 1,827 in the same period last year, and 1,309 in 1939. There have only been two cases of typhoid or paratyphoid. Last year there were five.

"The only disease of a serious character which has increased is cerebrospinal fever, which always rises in wartime. The death rate, however, has been greatly reduced by new methods of drug treatment.

"From all causes there have been in London and big towns 10,000 fewer deaths in the first six weeks of this year than in the same period last year, even including in the total all deaths due to air raids. The figures are 43,591 this year, and 53,887 last year."

Infectious Diseases

The Minister also pointed out that the prevention of infectious diseases in public shelters has been very successful. In almost every big shelter in London there is now a "miniature hospital," and some shelters have a resident or full-time doctor. Over 200 doctors pay nightly visits, and nearly 300 more are available if called.

The transfer of nearly 1,000,000 mothers and children from London and big cities has also been a complex problem, which has been carried out with considerable success.—Reuter.

Adm. Stark Visits New U.S. Bases

Inspection of Caribbean Strongholds Carried Out By American Navy Chief

Washington, Mar. 1.

Admiral Harold R. Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, is visiting the Caribbean Sea area, it was disclosed here late yesterday.

Admiral Stark was to inspect the newly formed Atlantic Fleet, it was said.

The Navy Department refused details of the trip but said the Admiral was expected to be away for "several weeks."

The fact that Admiral Stark left amid talk of crisis in the Far East caused some speculation that no Pacific emergency was imminent. On the other hand, his trip might be to ascertain what units of the Atlantic force would be available to augment the Pacific Fleet in the event of an emergency in the Far East.

The Navy department said Admiral Stark would inspect naval bases which were acquired from Britain in the "destroyers for bases" deal.—United Press.

Federal Control of Insurance Companies

Step Urged in U.S. Before Public Clamour Begins

Washington, Mar. 1.

Mr. Sumner Pike, Securities and Exchange Commissioner, testifying before the Congressional Federal Monopoly Committee here yesterday, recommended limited federal supervision of multi-billion life insurance companies.

Mr. Pike said such supervision was necessary for the purpose of "plugging gaps where state regulation cannot do effective work."

Some action is necessary, he said, before "public clamour forces all inclusive federal regulation.

Mr. Gerhard Gell, S.E.C. attorney, expressed the same viewpoint. Both men stressed that their recomendations were not formal views of the S.E.C.

Mr. Pike said the 26 largest life insurance companies possessed assets totalling US$28,000,000,000.

At one point in his testimony Mr. Pike recommended that insurance companies invest "good sums" in utility operating companies.—United Press.

Nine Killed During Riots in Holland

Many Women Said Injured In Amsterdam Fighting

The Hague, via Berlin, Mar. 1.

Nine persons were killed, 24 were injured seriously and 21 slightly during riots in Amsterdam recently, semi-official reports said here yesterday.

A number of women were included among those wounded, said the reports. Rioting occurred Tuesday and Wednesday.

Amsterdam was said to be quiet today and strikers were said to have returned to work.

Officials yesterday said German occupation authorities had taken necessary measures to put down rioting.—United Press.

British Destroyer Lost

London, Mar. 1.

The Admiralty today announced the loss of the destroyer Exmoor. The next of kin of casualties have been informed.—Reuter.

Germany's Aerial Strength Studied

Margin of Superiority Rapidly Being Cut Down By Democracies

London, Mar. 1.

The actual German first-line air strength is probably under 5,000 machines and certainly not greater than 5,000 to 6,000 planes, declares the "Observer's" air correspondent. Major Oliver Stewart, in an article, in which he states that his facts have not been officially confirmed but are considered in informed quarters to be more reliable than many recent estimates of the German strength.

Germany's first-line air force, he believes, consists of:

Long-range bombers	1,500 to 1,600
Fighters	1,500
Dive-bombers	750
Reconnaissance (with bombs)	450

This powerful striking force forms a large proportion of Germany's entire air fleet, the correspondent thinks.

Short Range Bombers

Aircraft equipped for bombing total about 2,600, not including machines comparable to planes of the British Costal Command. In addition, he says, Germany has 300 or 400 first-line army cooperation machines available for short-range tactical bombing. The army cooperation machine is the Henschel 126 Parasol monoplane resembling the British Westland Lysander army cooperation machine. Its top speed is only 220 miles but it has an exceptionally low landing speed.

The most remarkable thing about the German air force, according to the correspondent of the "Observer," is the shallowness of reserves, "numbering only 3,000 serviceable aircraft.

The position in general, therefore, is hopeful, he states. British production is steadily mounting, and United States aid is also mounting at an increasing rate.

U.S. Analysis

Mr. T. P. Wright, in the January number of the American journal "Aviation" estimates the German total at 35,000 planes and the British total at 25,000 machines. He estimates that the totals will be equal by July. The present British output is said to be 1,650 aircraft monthly, German 2,000, and United States production 750 increasing to 1,600 in July. Most impressive are curves showing the output. The Axis curve is tailing off but that of the United States is sweeping up, exceeding the Axis output at the end of the present year, thereafter far exceeding the best possible Axis effort.—Reuter.

Italian-Yugoslav Trade Talks Beginning

Rome, Feb. 28.

Yugoslav-Italian economic negotiations are taking place here beginning on Monday, March 3, it was announced. The Yugoslav delegates are arriving in Rome on March 1.—Domei.

Captured Danish Ships To Be Used for Defence

Port of Spain, Mar. 1.

Two Danish ships captured by a Canadian warship and brought to Trinidad have been released by the prize court "to be used in defence of the nation and realm."—Reuter.

Beaverbrook Thanks China Britons

London, Mar. 1.

A gift of £10,000 for the purchase of aircraft from the British community in Shanghai is acknowledged with gratitude by the Minister of Aircraft Production, Lord Beaverbrook. The British community has so far contributed £112,000.—Reuter.

Huge Sum in Dollars

Mr. O. M. Green writes:—The news that the British community in Shanghai had put up £100,000 for a squadron of aeroplanes appeared in the papers. How it was managed considering what such a sum must mean in dollars, is what amazes all old China people.

British Finish Job On Casteloritza

Troops Withdraw Following Accomplishment of Purpose On Mediterranean Island

London, Mar. 1.

British forces which on Tuesday captured and occupied the Italian island of Casteloritza also, known as Castelrosso, evacuated the island after "having accomplished their objective," it was announced officially here yesterday.

Casteloritza is the easternmost of the Dodecanese Islands, 80 miles south of Rhodes and 165 miles north of Cyprus.

Navy and Army authorities refused to comment on the evacuation saying that operations in the area might still be going on.

However, it is known that Casteloritza was an Italian seaplane base and that it might be assumed evacuation meant it had been destroyed.—United Press.

Japanese Evacuees from Singapore in Manila

Manila, Mar. 1.

The Hakone Maru arrived here today carrying 127 Japanese evacuees from Singapore headed by the Japanese Vice-Consul at Singapore, Mr. T. Hashizume.

Mr. Hashizume declined to comment on the Japanese decision to leave Singapore and said the journey was "only a routine trip home."

The "Bulletin" quoted a Japanese officer of the Hakone Maru as saying the climate in Singapore seemed "to be getting a little hot."—United Press.

Ribbentrop, Oshima Visit Vienna

Vienna, Feb. 28.

Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, and Lieut.-General Hiroshi Oshima, Japanese Ambassador to Germany, arrived here this evening from Salzburg.

While the purpose of their visit is not divulged, political observers are playing close attention to their movements.—Domei.

Defence Exercises For Malaya

All Fighting Services To Take Part

Singapore, Mar. 1.

Defence exercises will be held throughout Malaya from March 6 to March 12, a communique announced today. The exercises will be purely practice and have been under consideration for some time, the communique said.

The manœuvres will be comprehensive, involving all the fighting services, Government departments and civil defence services.

The public was warned that interruptions and delays in telephonic, telegraphic and highway communications, as well as rail traffic, should be expected.

The Governor of the Federated Malay States, Sir Shenton Thomas; Air Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief of British Forces in the Far East and Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, Commander-in-Chief of the British China Station, were confident the public realized the necessity of adequately trying out defence preparations, the communique said.

Black out conditions will prevail nightly during the exercises, it was said.—United Press.

Danger of Tungsten Shortage in U.S.

Shipments from Far East Become More Uncertain

Washington, Mar. 1.

The Office of Production Management yesterday said Far Eastern shipments of tungsten "have become somewhat uncertain and any development which might cut them off entirely would present serious problems."

The official especially warned the steel industry and tool manufacturers that they should conserve present stocks and use substitutes and alloys where possible.

Tungsten is a vital element in hardening of steel and a tungsten shortage would seriously hamper national defence production, said the office.—United Press.

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Eire Bans Export Of Banknotes

Conservation of Foreign Currency Reserves Said Obviously Intended

Dublin, Mar. 1.

Banknotes and currency notes henceforth must not be sent out of Eire.

This is the major provision of currency restrictions announced by the Eireann Minister of Finance last night.

Thus neither English nor Scottish nor Ulster banknotes may be used by Eire citizens for payments to persons in Great Britain. Apart from this prohibition, payments to persons in Great Britain continue unrestricted.

Withdrawals from savings or other bank accounts in any country except the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and a few others is forbidden without the permission of the Eireann authorities.—Reuter.

London's Interpretation

London, Mar. 1.

Commenting on the Eireann currency moves, circles here point out that they are obviously intended for the conservation of Eire's foreign currency resources, and resemble the restrictions imposed by the United Kingdom Government in the early stages of the war.—Reuter.

Philippines Co-operating To Prevent Espionage

Washington, Mar. 1.

Philippines officials, including President Manuel Quezon, have promised the United States to co-operate with whatever measures are deemed essential to prevent leakage of essential strategic materials to potentially hostile nations, an authoritative source revealed yesterday.—United Press.

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Japanese Fishermen Indicted

False Licenses Charges In Honolulu

Honolulu, Mar. 1.

A Federal grand jury yesterday indicted three fishing companies involving approximately 80 persons, mostly Japanese, on conspiracy charges.

The companies were charged with obtaining false licenses for fishing sampans. Companies involved were the Honolulu Fishing Company, the Pacific Fishing Company and the Hawaiian Suisan Kaisha Ltd.

Defendants were named in three indictments, each covering a group associated with one of the companies.

The indictments accused the defendants of conspiracy to violate laws of the United States regarding registration of vessels of more than five tons engaged in the fishing trade. Defendants were alleged to have presented fraudulent documents.

Mr. Angus Taylor, United States Attorney, said some of the defendants were American citizens who had registered as owners of the fishing boats under fraudulent bills of sale and that aliens actually were the real owners.

Sampan owners, in order to comply with regulations requiring citizenship, drew up false bills of sales for relatives and friends, Mr. Taylor said. Most of those charged were Japanese. —United Press.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. H. T. Silcock will speak over XCDN at 9.15 tonight on "Religion and public life."

THE annual meeting of the Jewish Recreation Club will take place at the Synagogue Hall, 50 Museum Road, at 4.30 p.m. today.

AT 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday there will be a programme of military marches from XCDN, arranged and sponsored by the Royal Air Force Association of Shanghai.

MR. J. R. Jones will speak on the subject "Shanghai Land Regulations," at the Foreign Y.M.C.A., on Thursday, at 9 p.m. Members of the Association and their friends are invited to attend.

THE Rover Concert programme raffle winning numbers for March 1 were No. 1, Ticket No. 2808: 2, 2840: 3, 4337: 4, 4201: 5, 3714: 6, 3805: 7, 3883: 8, 2704. Prizes may be collected at American Express Co. 158 Kiukiang Road.

WHA Tseng Kei, the licensee of the Victoria Cafe at 192 Nanking Road, was on February 28 fined $30 in the First Special District Court for keeping for use on the premises milk obtained from an unlicensed source, contrary to condition 30 of his licence.

A FEMALE Chinese was taken to the S.R.R.A. Hospital in Thibet Road at 2.10 a.m. yesterday when she was found suffering from iodine poisoning at 546/136 Tiendong Road. The case was reported to have been an attempted suicide, although the reasons for it were not given.

ROVER Concert programme raffle winning numbers for February 28 were:—No. 1, ticket 578, 2, No. 12, 3, No. 139, 4, No. 1143, 5, No. 2643 6, No. 627, 7, No. 565, 8, No. 12[illegible] 9, No. 618, 10, No. 3607, 11, No 3642. Prize may be collected at the American Express Co. 158 Kiukiang Road.

THE next meeting of the Shanghai Missionary Association will be held in the Union Church Hall, Soochow Road, on Tuesday, 5 to 5.45 p.m. social hour 5.45 to 6.45 p.m. devotional minutes of previous meeting. Address by Rev. W. H. Hudspeth M. A., on "The Christian background of Indo-China."

SUCCESSFUL experiments have resulted in the manufacture of various kinds of motor oils, particularly lubricants, by the New Industrial Development Company in Chungking the "Sin Wan Pao" learns. The fact that the materials used are not imported will permit the company to sell the oil at low prices, the report adds.

THE Shanghai Catholic Radio League will present on the Catholic Hour broadcast this evening a third talk on the Pope and the papacy. The Rev. Leo F. McGreal, S.J., will discuss the very important and generally misunderstood question of the Infallibility of the Pope. The Catholic Hour goes on the air at 7.30 p.m. over XMHA.

IN a statement issued in Hongkong on February 25, addressed to the various trade guilds as well as to the foreign consulates in Shanghai, Mr. Wang Hsiao-lai, Chairman of the Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce declared that the Chamber is maintaining its connections with legitimate trade bodies in this city, states a Hongkong message to the "Chinese American Daily News."

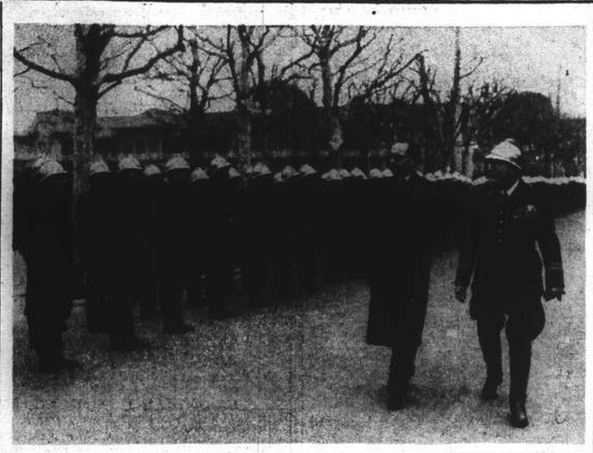
THE Szechuan-Sikong highway will be completed very shortly according to the Ministry of Communications in Chungking on Friday, says the "Sin Wan Pao." Only a few bridges remain to be constructed before the highway can be opened to traffic. The construction of this route and the beginning of long-distance bus services is expected to tighten the economic bonds of the two provinces, the paper says.

THE pioneer and greatest of all missionaries, Paul the apostle wrote: "Brethren, my heart's desire and my supplication to God is for 'Israel' that they might be saved." A prayer meeting for all who share in that desire, will be held under the auspices of the Shanghai Hebrew Mission at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parry, 1531 Sinza Road, today from 4.15 to 5.15 p.m. Leader Dr. Lee S. Huizenga.

THE police report for the week ending March 1, showed an increase of seven minor crimes as compared to the previous week, the total given being 353. Notable decreases were recorded in the armed robbery, burglary, larceny and gambling cases. Snatching, pocket picking and opium cases, however, were on the increase. An increase of two was shown in the arrests, the number of persons arrested being 527. Of these 155 were identified as old offenders. The Settlement police arrested 155 gamblers and identified 43.

THE production of minerals in China during the current year will be greatly increased in order to enable the Chinese government to "write off" its debts to friendly powers, according to information obtained from mining authorities says a Chungking report to the "Sin Wan Pao." The Chinese government has been sending technical experts to the provinces of Kiangsi, Hunan, Kwangtung and Kwangsi to explore the mineral resources of these provinces, and to induce more efficient work the authorities have steadily improved the treatment of Chinese miners, it is stated.

THE Missions to Seamen acknowledge with grateful thanks the following gifts during February:—Books and magazines from—"North China Daily News," "Shanghai Times," "China Press." "Lloyd's Publishing Co.," British Women Association, Yee Tsoong Tobacco Co., Lady Noble, Messrs. L. C. Healey, G. J. Brims, W. A. Turnbull, G. H. Sutcliffe, H. M. Spence, R. V. Thomas, W. C. D. Taylor, W. Helm, G. A. Haley, J. W. Clark, G. E. Clarke. Mesdames H. Westridge, F. Booth, F. J. Morris, Anthony Ricketts, Davis, Traynor, R. T. Oates and Anon. Clothing from Mrs. Hay. Gramophone records from Com. P. C. Gilmore, E. A. M. Piper. Table game from L. C. Woodeard.



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French Fire Brigade Parade

The French Fire Brigade was inspected by M. Roland de Margerie, French Consul-General in Shanghai, at Koukaza Park yesterday morning. The ceremony was attended by leading French personalities, representing the French Municipality, Forces and Police. Captain G. H. Reed, S.F.B. Chief Officer, was another interested guest. The photo shows M. de Margerie and Capt. Royere reviewing the force.

French Fire Brigade Reviewed by Consul

Efficiency and Smartness Shown by Members

The efficiency and smartness of the French Fire Brigade were demonstrated yesterday morning at Koukaza Park where the force passed in review before M. Roland de Margerie, Consul-General for France in Shanghai. The ceremony was attended by many officials of the International Settlement and French Concession.

Fourteen fire engines took part in the review, which started at 9.15 a.m. when some 200 members, Russian and native, fell in. They were then inspected by M. de Margerie and Captain A. Royere, Chief Officer of the Brigade. The French Consul-General then inspected engines, while Capt. Royere explained the use of new fire appliances.

Next on the programme was the ride past the saluting base, and the review was climaxed by an exhibition in which five ladders, one of them from a fire engine, were used. Firemen climbed to the top, and spread water from five hoses.

Those present at the review included Captain H. G. Reed, Shanghai Fire Brigade Chief Officer, M. L. des Courtils, chairman of F.M.C., M. P. Jordan, of the French Municipality, Commandant L. Fabre, of the French Police, Lieut. P. Blanchet, M. R. Sarly, Maj. A. J. F. Artigue and Capt. G. A. Bouvet, of the French Forces. Lieut. G. Bossu was in charge of the parade, while S/Lieut. R. de Blecker, bore the Brigade Colour.

B. W. A.

Monday, Mar. 3.—Badminton, Social Service Board 4.45 p.m. Needlecraft 9.30 a.m. at Headquarters.
Wednesday Mar. 5.—Red Cross Work 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. War work knitting 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.
Thursday, Mar. 6.—Musical and dramatic films at Headquarters 5.30 p.m. Red Cross Work at 1288 Bubbling Well Road 9 to noon.
Friday, Mar. 7.—Badminton. Jumble sale. Home and Garden at 10 a.m. at 272 Hungjao Road. Red Cross at 1288 Bubbling Well Road 9 to noon. Red Cross work at Headquarters 5 to 8 p.m.
Saturday, Mar. 8.—Badminton. War work knitting 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.

The Musical and Dramatic Section remind those who are planning to attend the showing of war films on March 6 at 5.30 p.m. that it is advisable to get their tickets in advance as accommodation is limited. Tickets are $2 and are available at the Office.

The Home and Garden meeting on March 7 at 10 a.m. will be held at 272 Hungjao Road wet or fine. Mrs. Lester Arnold will talk on "Evergreens."

A badminton tournament has been arranged for March 10, to commence at 5.30 p.m. A supper of D.M.P. sausages and mash, pies and coffee or tea, will be served at 8.30, total cost $2.50.

New Section Formed

A Bridge and Mahjongg Section has been formed and regular fortnightly afternoons will commence on March 13, 1941.

The following details have been arranged and the Committee hope that members will send in helpful criticisms and suggestions to the Secretary, Mrs. Lyle:—

All Section afternoons begin at 3.00 p.m.; a buffet tea will be served at 4.30 p.m.; table charge will be $10 to include cost of tea, lighting, etc.; tables will be numbered, and may be reserved for the whole season; there will be a limit of 16 tables; bookings may be made through Mrs. Lyle (telephone 20227) or Mrs. Colter, not later than two days before required date; any profits will be divided between the B.W.A. Social Service and War Funds.

The primary object of the Section is to promote friendliness and sociability, and we ask for your cooperation. Individual members may have tea without necessarily playing and the charge will be $2. Members of the committee are willing to try and arrange tables for members. The following are the dates for the season:—

March 13	Bridge
March 75	Mahjongg
April 10	Bridge
April 22	Mahjongg
May 8	Bridge
May 20	Mahjongg
June 5	Bridge
June 17	Mahjongg

Spanish Consul Here to Go to Ministry

Senor Pedro de Ygual, Spanish Consul-General in Shanghai, will leave for Madrid towards the end of the month, it was learned yesterday. He is to take up a post in the Spanish Ministry, his valuable services in the Far East receiving recognition in this way. Senor Ygual will sail for Europe by way of America, as soon as his successor, Senor Alvaro de Maldonado arrives here.

Senor Maldonado has been Spanish Consul-General in Manila for some time, and will soon be leaving there to take up his duties in Shanghai. Senor Ygual, interviewed by the "North-China Daily News" yesterday, stated that he could not definitely say when he would be sailing to take up his new post, but that it would be as soon as his successor arrives.

Success of Indian Troops in Africa

Playing Major Parts In Attacks on Italians In Middle East

The important part being played by Indian troops in the various African theatres of war is well illustrated by the latest cabled reports reaching Shanghai from Delhi.

India's new Commander-in-Chief, in the course of a broadcast speech, said that during his 38 years' experience with Indian troops he had never seen them looking happier, fitter or "more on their toes" than they were in the eastern Sudan and Egypt. They won golden opinions everywhere and he was intensely proud of them. It was good to think that India was bearing a major part in the effort to drive the Italians out of Africa, which was a most important step towards winning the war.

The Commander-in-Chief added that General Wavell's message to him stated that, after the capture of Sidi Barrani, Indian troops also participated in several important Sudan actions, culminating in the brilliant Kassala-Keren pursuit in which they performed extremely good work under the most difficult conditions.

In the press release, the Indian Government has disclosed that the occupation of Barentu was the culmination of a five-day battle by Indian brigades and a ten-day battle by another brigade. Fighting was extremely strenuous, but the Indian troops excelled themselves.

It is also reported that Mahratta troops have been playing a leading part in the Abyssinian penetration operations from the Sudan and the Gallabat-Metemma zone. Shouting "*Shivaji Maharajkijai*," one company made a dashing attack in the Metemma area. There were many gallant individual deeds.

Brilliant Movement

In a further press release details are given of the outstanding part played by Indian troops in the Kassala-Keren pursuit. In the first important action at Keru, the Commander's clever tactics and a Sikh battalion's brilliant flank movement caused the enemy to retreat in the greatest disorder. Pushing on to Biscia, Indian battalions quickly attacked and routed the enemy. A lighting advance by Rajput motorized infantry cut off the only road connecting Eritrea with north-west Abyssinia. At the same time, a Garhwali-Baluchi mobile column cut the road further south.

High tribute is paid to the work of Indian engineers under heavy machine-gun fire and periodical artillery fire. The Italians were given no respite till Indian troops were hammering almost at the gates of Keren.

The Working Committee of the All India Hindu League has passed a resolution expressing the view that the recent victories kindled the hope that Britain would win, noting with pride the part played by Indian troops in those victories, and urging the Government to invite leading public men willing to co-operate in the war effort to assume responsibility in the administration.

The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund on January 31 totalled 30,247,000 rupees; Indian Defence Loans up to February 15 had reached a total of 508,409,000 rupees, including interest-free Defence Bonds totalling 23,075,000 rupees.

Arrests of Suspected Robbers Continue

With more than twenty suspected robbers already in custody, detectives from the Central police station continued their round-up of criminal elements following information received from the arrested men. Although no firearms were seized in yesterday's arrests, it was believed that the suspecs had some hidden away and that they would soon be found.

Yesterday's arrests started with apprehension of two male Chinese on Rue du Consulat. Both were subsequently taken to the station, where they were questioned, revealing the hiding place of another man, who was later detained at the Chung Nan Hotel.

All the arrested men, it is learned, have been connected with armed robberies both in the International Settlement and French Concession. Other crimes, committed by the gangsters, may be disclosed in the near future.

Women and Children Leave Manila

Manila, Mar. 1.

The U.S.S. Grant, an Army transport, today sailed from here for the United States carrying 260 passengers, mostly women and children, who were evacuated under instructions from Washington.

Many wives had not seen advised they were included in the evacuation orders until the last minute. The scene at the dock, consequently, was one of both tears and anger.

Wives were tearful at leaving their husbands, and angry because they were forced to evacuate so hurriedly and were unable to pack household goods.—United Press.

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **Taiyo Maru,** of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, running between Shanghai and Kobe direct, is due to sail again for Japan on Tuesday at about 6 a.m. The liner is berthed alongside the company's Yangtszepoo Wharf, where she arrived two days ago.

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The **Shanghai Maru,** of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, is due to enter port tomorrow afternoon at about 3 o'clock from Nagasaki direct. The liner will remain here overnight only, sailing on the next day for Japan. She will be tied up alongside the company's Wayside Wharf.

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The **Dairen Maru,** fast liner of the D.K.K., running between Shanghai Tsingtao and Dairen, is due here tomorrow afternoon at about 4 o'clock, when she will berth at the company's Whangpoo Wharf. The ship will remain here for 36 hours, sailing on her return trip to the northern ports on Wednesday at 9 a.m.

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The D.K.K. **Hoten Maru,** operating on the Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen run, arrived in harbour yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and berthed alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. The liner, which carries mail and passengers, will remain here for 36 hours, sailing on her return trip to the northern ports tomorrow at 9 a.m. Registered and ordinary mail for the ship will be closed at the Post Office at 8 o'clock tonight and 7.15 tomorrow morning, respectively. Outgoing passengers for the ship should embark from the wharf direct at least half an hour before sailing time.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

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Hokkai M	— 25/3	**From Yokohama**	
From Los Angeles		Onoe M	— 6/?
Nitta M	24/1 3/?	K'kura M	1/3 10/?
Ningpo	— 7/3	**From Kobe**	
K'kura M	10/2 10/?	Nitta M	1/3 3/?
Yawata M	24/2 24/3	Taiyo M	8/3 10/?
From San F'cisco		**From Nagasaki**	
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For Capetown		For Manila	
P Jackson	20/3	Dona Aurora	2/?
P Grant	26/3	Nitta M	4/3
For New York		Ningpo	9/?
Dona Aurora	2/3	Satartia	12/3
Kinai M	4/3	Dona Nati	17/?
Ningpo	9/3	Coldbrook	21/3
Dona Nati	17/3	P Grant	26/3
P Jackson	20/3	**For Hongkong**	
Hokkai M	26/3	Dona Aurora	2/3
P Grant	26/3	Ningpo	9/3
For Los Angeles		Satartia	12/3
Dona Aurora	2/3	Dona Nati	17/3
Kinai M	4/3	P Grant	26/3
P. Pierce	8/3	**For Kobe**	
Ningpo	9/3	Taiyo M	4/3
Dona Nati	17/3	**For Nagasaki**	
P Taft	22/3	Shanghai M	4/?
Hokkai M	26/3	Kobe M	6/3
P Grant	26/3	Nagasaki M	15/3
For Seattle		**For Dairen**	
Satartia	12/3	Hoten M	3/?
Coldbrook	21/3	Dairen M	5/3
		Tsingtao M	8/3

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Seitai M.	Keelung	Showa S.
Tsengyuan	Tsingtao	Showa S.
Tangshan M.	Tientsin	T.K.K.
Meiyo	Hupukow	S.V.O.C
Hoten M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Meisoo	Hsinkong	S.V.O.C.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Tosei M.	Jap.	D.K.K.K.
Kobe M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Meiyi	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Meitung	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Haichang	Chi.	Tung Hai
Sinyo M.	Jap.	Showa S.
Koshi M. 1	Jap.	K.U.K.
Hakkai M.	Jap.	M.B.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
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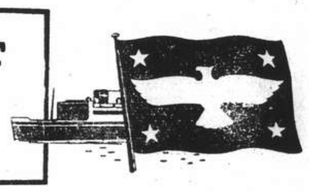

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Yen 23⅝	$100
Guilders 10⅜	100
Rupees 18⅞	100
Pesos 11⅜	100
Hongkong $22⅝	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3½d.	$ 68.57
U.S. $100 @ 5 11/16	$1,758.00
London—demand, $1=	3½d.
4 months' sight credits	3 17/32d.
4 months' sight docts	3⅝d.
6 months' sight credits	3⅝d.
6 months' sight docts	3 11/16d.
New York—demand, $100=U.S.	$5 11/16
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5 11/16
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5¾

NEW YORK/LONDON CROSS RATES

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	Highest	Lowest
£	3 27/32	3 27/32
U.S. $	5⅝	5⅝

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING Cash		BUYING March
£ T.T.	3 13/16	4 m/s. l.c.	3 31/32
U.S.$ T.T.	5 9/16	4 mss. l.c.	5 11/16
Rs. T.T.	19	15 d/s.	19½

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	23⅝	23 9/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	63.03	—
Bombay offtake 150 bars.		

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

New York closing rate for Feb. 28	4.03¾
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.93
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.94

The local market opened with sellers at 3 27/32d. sterling and 5⅝ in U.S.$. The market was very quiet all morning with the latter rate alternately a buyer and a seller. At the closer best sellers were:—

3 27/32	Sterling	5 19/32	U.S.$.	Cash
3 27/32	„	5 19/32	„	Mar.
3 13/16	„	5 9/16	„	Apr.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Feb. 28.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	81¼	London	1/5 31/32
N. Y.	332¾-332¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	20	„ sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	84¼	„ buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		„ sellers	82¾
		„ buyers	77

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 1/32
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 3/16
Bel. Congo	176½	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3 13/32d.	„ buying	1/2

New York U.S.$. T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Japan	23.45/48
Spain	9.25 N.	Shanghai	5.72
Paris	2.17	Hungary	19.75
Italy	5.05 N.	Rumania	0.50
S'zerland	23.30	Yugo Slavia	2.30
„ "free"	23.30	Greece	0.68 N.
Sweden	23.85	Finland	2.05
Montreal	85.625	Manila	49.80 N.
Brazil	5.05		

London	4.03¾
Buenos Aires Paper	29.78
„ „ „ market rate	23.45
Montreal on London	4.71⅜

N—Nom.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Feb. 28.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call money		0⅞%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0½%B / 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0⅝%B / 0 9/16%A
Call money		1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Feb. Market Reviewed

New York, Feb. 28.

Stocks during February receded and by mid-month had made new loss for the year, then rallied and finished with only small declines and with Wall Street convinced the Government needs a better stock market to facilitate sale of Government bonds.

The month's trading was the smallest since 1915 and several Exchange seats sold for US$26,000, which was the lowest sale figure since 1898.

On the other hand, general business levels were near record levels with automobile sales hitting an 11 year high.

The Stock Exchange was dull but firm today and closed fractionally to three points higher in some preferred issues.

Sugars, amusements and mercantile issues were especially strong. Utilities advanced because of testimony before the Congressional Federal Monopoly committee by Mr. Sumner Pike, Securities and Exchange Commissioner, recommending that insurance companies invest "good sums" in common shares of sound utility operating companies.—United Press.

Bristle Prices Fixed

Following the receipt of a petition from the Chungking city provisional political council recently, the Executive Yuan announced yesterday that prices for bristles have been revised and increased with a view to encouraging their export to foreign countries, according to a Chungking report to the "Shun Pao."

The Ministry of Finance and the Foreign Trade Commission have been instructed to fix the price for black bristles, No. 27 at $1,800 per quintal, while that for white bristles, also No. 27 is being fixed at $1,300 as from December 31, 1940. The Foreign Trade Commission will purchase bristles from Chinese merchants at these officially fixed prices, thereby encouraging and promoting the bristle export trade, the paper concludes.

New York Stocks

Friday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 28.

Stock prices on Wall Street today finished fractionally higher, in a brighter and more active session.

The settlement of the Bethlehem Steel strike and the more encouraging tenor of European news despatches aided sentiment.

The announcement by Commissioner Pike of the Securities and Exchange Commission that insurance companies may purchase common shares of sound utility operating companies additionally helped the market, while new investment demand was also noticeable.

The turnover amounted to 410,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Change
30 Indust.	122.69	121.60	121.97	+0.10
20 Rails	27.51	27.33	27.43	+0.15
15 Utilit.	19.70	18.07	19.62	+0.60
40 Bonds	—	—	90.19	+0.09
11 Commod.	—	—	58.03	+0.60

	Feb. 27	28		Feb. 27	28
Adams Exp	5¼	5¼	Libbey O F	35¼	†34⅝
Alg Lud	20¼	20⅜	Lockheed	24¼	24⅜
Allis Chal	29¼	29¼	Loew's	31⅜	32
Alum Ltd	*72	74	Loft Inc	17⅜	17⅜
Amer Can	86¼	85	Mack Trks	27⅜	27⅜
Am Cyan	34¼	34¼	Martin	25⅜	25¼
Am For Pr	0¾	0⅜	McKesson	*25¼	25⅜
„ $7 pfd	15¾	16	Mont Ward	38⅜	38⅜
Am Loco	13	13¼	Mountain	3	3
Am Metal	17¼	*17	Nat Avian	8¼	8⅜
Am R Mill	13¼	13¼	Nat Cy B	*26¼	*26¼
Am Radtr	6½	†6¼	Nat Dairy	†13	13⅜
Am Smitg	40¼	40¼	Nat Dist	21	20⅞
Am Sug	15	15¼	Nat Lead	16¼	16¼
Am T & T	160¼	160¼	Nat P & L	6¼	6¼
Am Tob B	69¼	69⅜	Nat Sup	5¼	5¼
Am Wtwrks	5⅜	6¼	N Y Cent	12⅜	12⅜
Anaconda	24¼	24¼	Niag Hud	2⅞	3
Atchison	22⅜	23	N A Avian	13¾	14
Avian Cpn	3⅜	3⅜	N Am Co	14⅜	15¼
Bald Loco	15¼	15⅜	N Pacific	6¼	6
Balt & O	3⅜	3⅜	O I Glass	43⅜	43⅜
Barber	8¼	8¼	Pac G & E	26¼	26⅜
Barns Oil	8¼	8⅜	Packard	2⅞	2⅞
Bendix	34⅞	35	Pan A Air	12⅞	13
Beth Steel	79	78⅜	Paramount	10⅞	11¼
Bliss	16¼	16⅜	Penn R R	22⅞	23¼
Boeing	16¼	16	Phil Pet	36	36¼
Borg War	18¼	18⅜	P S of N J	26½	27¼
Briggs	21¼	21¼	Pullman	24	24
Budd Mfg	4	4	Pure Oil	7⅜	7¼
Can Pac	3½	3¼	Radio	4¼	4¼
Case J I	*47¼	47⅜	Reading	*12⅞	*12⅞
Celanese	23⅜	23⅜	Rem Arms	*4⅜	*4⅜
Chase N B	*31	*32¼	Rep Avian	*3⅞	*3⅞
Ches & O	41¼	41¼	Rep Steel	19½	19¼
Chrysler	66⅞	66¼	Rev C & B	*8⅜	*8⅜
Col G & E	4	4⅜	Rey Tob B	32⅜	32⅜
Col Cred	29⅞	30	Safeway	38	38⅜
Com & Sth	0⅜	0⅜	Schenley	9⅜	9⅞
Cons Edis	21⅜	22⅞	Sears Roeb	71⅞	71
Cons Oil	5½	5½	Shell U Oil	11¼	11¼
Cont Can	37⅜	37⅜	Soc Vac	8⅜	8⅜
Cont Oil	17⅜	17⅞	Sthrn Pac	8¼	9
Copld St	†14⅜	15	Sthrn Rly	21⅜	21¼
Curtis Wr	8⅜	8⅜	Spicer	*32	*33
„ A	26¼	26	Std Brands	6¼	6¼
Deere	19⅞	19⅜	Std G & E	0⅞	1
Dist Cpn	17¼	†16⅜	Std Oil C	18¼	18¼
Douglas	72¼	72⅜	Std Oil N J	34¼	34⅜
Du Pont	144¼	144⅞	Stone & W	6⅜	6⅜
E P Lead	9	9	Studebaker	6⅜	6⅜
Eaton Mfg	31	32	Swift Int	18¼	17⅝
Elec A Lite	30⅜	30⅜	Technicor	*9	*9
Elec B & S	3⅜	3⅜	Tex Cpn	35¼	35¼
„ $5 pfd	*54¼	54¼	Tex Gulf	35⅜	†35¼
„ $6 pfd	61	60	Timken	32	32¼
Elec P & L	28⅞	31¼	Transamer	*4½	4⅜
Flintkote	13⅜	13⅞	Tw Cent	5⅞	5⅞
Gen A Tr	50¼	50⅜	Un B & P	11¼	11¼
Gen Elec	32½	32⅞	Un Car	65¼	65
Gen Motors	43½	43½	Un Pac	79¼	†79¼
Gen Rly	*13	13⅜	Un Air	39⅜	39⅜
Gen T & R	*10⅞	11¼	Un A Lines	13⅜	13⅜
Glidden	*13½	13½	Un Cpn	1¼	1¼
Goodrich	13	13⅞	„ $3 pfd	25¼	26¼
„ $5 pfd	60¼	60¼	Un Gas	0⅜	0 11/16
Goodyear	17⅞	18	Un G Imp	8¼	8⅜
Gt N I Ore	14¼	14	U S Ind	*22⅞	24¼
Gt N Rly	24⅞	24¼	U S Rub	20⅞	20⅞
Gt W Sug	22	22¼	„ 8% pfd	86¼	87
Grey Cpn	11⅞	11⅞	U S Smelt	*58	*58
Her Pow	68⅜	*68⅜	U S Steel	59⅜	59
Homestake	45¼	45⅜	Vanadium	27¼	27⅜
Int Nickel	†24⅛	24⅞	Vutlee	6⅞	6⅞
Int Paper	14¼	14	Walworth	5	5
Int T & T	2⅞	2⅞	War Br Pic	3	3⅛
Johns Man	*57¼	*57¼	West Elec	96¼	96⅜
Kennecott	†33⅜	33⅞	Woodward	*28¼	28⅞

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	54½	54¾
Australia Comm.	59	59
Balt. & Ohio "A"	42⅞	43¼
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	19⅛	19
„ „ „ 6½% 1957	—	16⅞
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	89½	90¼
Erie 5s 1967	18	18¼
Int. Tel. & Tel.	44¼	45⅛
New England Gas & Elec.	62⅞	62½
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	46⅞	47
Stand. Gas & Elec.	79	80⅛

*—Bid †—Ex Div

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices recorded moderate gains on a light volume, reflecting the improved tone of news which included the settlement of the Bethlehem Steel strike and the announcement of the British-Turkish Pact. Utilities ruled firm on the suggestion of the Securities and Exchange Commission that Life Insurance Companies might buy common shares of sound utility operating companies, which are likely to become available through the Administration's Holding Company Act. Re'ail trade reports are strongly higher. Not 1940 earnings of General Electric are estimated at $1.95 per share, against $1.43 per share for the previous year.

Effective March 1, minimum margin of US$2.00 per share on all purchases of New York stocks will be required, with stocks selling at US$2.00 or under to be fully paid for.

Stocks: The technical action of the market was encouraging. Barring the worsoning of War news, a renewed rally is likely, especially in aircrafts, rails and equipments. Bank clearings during the past week were up 11 per cent.

STATISTICS

	Week Ended 28/2	Week Ended 21/2
Production of cars and trucks (Ward's estimate)	126.550	129.240
	(units)	

Dividends: General Electric—$0.35, payable on April 25 to stockholders on record as of March 14. Montgomery Ward—$0.50, payable on April 15 to stockholders on record as of March 19. Eagle-Picher Lead—$0.10, payable on April 1 to stockholders on record as of March 4.

EARNINGS

Stock	Period	1940	1939
General Electric	Yr. 31/12	$1.95	$1.43
		1941	1940
Pennsylvania R. R. January		$2,963,0000i	$2,500,000i

i—Net income.

Cotton: Ruled firm on trade buying of May and July and a scarcity of contracts. The tendency of the market is higher.

Wheat: Advanced on the record low open interest of 46,000,000 bushels and further reports of crop damage. Heavy selling at the advance was well taken.

Corn: Government holdings are slightly over the market, and continued free country efferings are tending to caution on the buying side.

Rubber: The market was steady at the advace.

Hides: 50 March notices were readily stopped. 40,000 spot hides were reported to have been sold at ½ cent. advance. The demand for leather is good. Nearby shorts are reported to be nervous.

Cocoa: Hedge-lifting on 1,000 tons reported to have been sold to Russia stimulated a higher trend.

Sugar No. 4: Ruled firm on scattered new buying.

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

The slight relaxing of the tension in the Far East, the possibility of a more liberal Excess Profits Tax Law, and the technical correction in a thin market, all contributed to the rise in stock prices on Wall Street during the current period under review. The advance, however, was not conclusive, as many traders still remained on the sidelines; the turnover averaging only about 350,000 shares per day. Prices rose on Monday, under the stimulus of war stocks, particularly aircrafts, as experts interpreted Hitler's speech, and also the British rejection of Japanese mediation offers, as indicating a long war. Aircrafts improved on the expectation that the new Bill amending the Excess Profits Tax Law would relieve hardships on the so-called "growth" corporations. The market continued firm on Tuesday, under the leadership of Douglas Aircraft, which touched 73, a rise of about $7 in two days, as a result of sharp advances in the company's net income. Prices remained generally unchanged on Wednesday, in the face of some profit taking, and the persistent reluctance to buy on strength, with the exception of specialities like International Paper & Power, due to record earnings, and International Telephone & Telegraph, based on renewed indications of favourable South American developments materializing. The small decline on Thursday was partially due to strikes in industrial plants, notably Ford and Bethlehem Steel, producing materials for defence.

Commodities likewise showed substantial improvement during the week, as indicated by the Dow-Jones 11 commodity index. Wheat futures at Chicago reached the highest levels in a month, due to an oversold condition, talk of high parity loans, and the probability of the passage of the Lend and Lease Bill, which, it is believed, will include foodstuffs. Corn was slightly easier. Rubber presented a very steady appearance, although there was some profit taking from the previous week's high price. The I.R.C's unchanged quota of 100 per cent. is less of a market factor than the freight situation. Hide prices increased in sympathy with the stock market, although shipping problems are becoming on increasingly important bullish factor. Domestic sugar continued to advance, as large distribution of refined sugar continues.

The magazine "Iron Age" states that incoming orders indicate that steel makers may be entirely sold out for the year by May 1. Compulsory priorities in the steel industry are not yet necessary, but some products are being subjected to a form of rationing, notably structurals, stainless, and other nickel alloys, and all galvanized. Priorities on machine tools and aluminum have been established. The House of Representatives passed an amendment to the Excess Profits Tax Law which will be retroactive during 1940; benefitting "growth" companies, such as aircraft manufacturing, also corporations with wildly fluctuating profits and large invested capital, such as steels. There is a possibility of the use of Britain's remaining American investments as collateral rather than their liquidation.

THE MARKET IN FIGURES

	Thursday Feb. 20	Feb. 27	Change
D.-J. average for 30 Industries	119.99	121.87	up 1.88
D.-J. average for 20 Rails	27.09	27.28	up .19
D.-J. average for 15 Utilit.	18.86	19.02	up .16
D.-J. average for 40 Bonds	89.82	90.10	up .28
D.-J. 11 Commodity Index	56.76	57.43	up .67

COMMODITY INDEX

Chicago Wheat	81⅛	83⅛
Corn	61⅛	60½
Cotton	10.37	10.39
Rubber	20.81	20.65
Hides	12.65	13.15
Sugar	.70½	.71
Cocoa	5.78	6.00
Copper	11.74	11.84

BUSINESS

	Previous	Latest
N.Y. Times Business Index	121.1	120.9
Carloadings (carloads)	721,000	678,000
Elec. power prod. (kw. hrs.)	*2,810,000	*2,280,000
Steel operations (% of capacity)	94.6	96.3
Aver. daily oil prod. (bbls.)	3,638,000	3,630,000
Automobile output (cars)	127,500	129,240

*000 omitted

Stock Outlook:—The action of the stock market during the past week affords no clue as to the immediate trend. So long as it is generally believed that intensified warfare will commence this Spring, the investing public will be prone to remain cautious and await developments.

London Stocks

Friday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 28.

Conditions on the London Stock Exchange today continued to be brighter, influenced by the firmness of British Near East diplomacy, with a somewhat larger volume of business passing.

Most sections were generally firm with interest mainly centred on industrials and oils. Guinness and Cable and Wireless ruled firmer; Courtauld's also improved on a higher dividend; and, Burmah Oil was prominent. Prudential Assurance, however, weakened from 18¾ to 17½ on the reduced dividend.

In the foreign bond section, Japanese loans were again bought.—Reuter.

	Feb. 27	28
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£103 9/16	103⅝
3% Defence Loan	101 5/16	101 5/16
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	42	42
4½% Anglo-French Loan	40—44	40—44
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	24	24
5% Reorg Loan, 1913	31	31
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	8—10	8—10
5% Honan Rly., 1905	14	14
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	14	14
5% „ „ „ (Ger. Is.)	12	12
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	12	12
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	14	14
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	12	12
5% „ „ G.	12	12
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	12	12
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	12	12
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	11	11
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	47	47
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	23	23½
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	25½	26
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	7⅞	7⅞
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	73	73
„ „ „ (Col. Reg.)	76 N	76 N
Mercantile Bank of India	11⅛	11⅛
National Bank of India	32¼	32
Un. Ins Soc. of Canton	24	24
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/1½	10/1½
British American Tobacco	88/9	89/4½
Dunlop Rubber	32/7½	32/7½
Imp. Chem. Industries	30/-	30/1½
United Steel	21/-	21/1½
Woolworths	52/-	52/6
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/-	17/-
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	6/3	6/3
Pekin-Syndicate	1/6	1/6
Sub-Nigel	146/3	146/3
Western Holdings	9/9	9/9
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	32¾	33¼
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/9	15/9
London, Midland & Scot.	12⅛	12⅛
S'hai Elec. Construction	12/6	12/6
S'hai Waterworks "A"	12	12
Shell Transport & Trading	43/1½	44/4½

U.S. Commodities

Friday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 28.

The cotton market early ruled somewhat irregular, with small trade and speculative buying offset by profit taking. Later, prices rallied on spinners buying futures, shorts covering and favourable "spot" markets. Finally, the market closed steady on expanding speculative interest, with quotations ranging from 4 to 6 points up.

Prices in the rubber market today advanced on renewed Far Eastern tension, a scarcity of sellers, better cables and good trade and factory absorption. At the close, gains of 11 to 13 points were recorded.

Wheat futures in Chicago today finished higher on mill and speculative buying, a record low open interest, shorts covering and reports of crop damage. At the final bell, gains of ½ to ⅞ cent. were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Mar.	10.43-43 +04	Mar.	20.76 N. +11
May	10.40-40 +05	May	20.76-76 +13
July	10.30-30 +05	July	(N.C.)
Oct.	9.92-92 +06		20.28-28 +13
Dec.	9.91-91 +06	Sept.	(N.C.)
Jan.	9.88 N. +06		20.08-08 +13
N. Y. Sugar No. 3		**N. Y. Sugar No. 4**	
Mar.	2.19-20 +3 B/A	Mar.	deleted.
May	2.25-26 +5 B/A	May	0.76½-77 +3 B/A
Chicago Wheat		**Chicago Corn**	
May	83½-83⅝ +½	May	60⅞-60¾ +⅜
July	79⅞-79½ +⅞	July	60¾-60¾ +½

New York Silk No. 1

Mar. 2.65½-65½ +1½

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Friday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 28.

The rubber market ruled firm today on renewed Far Eastern tension.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 13¼ +⅛; sellers 13⅜ +⅛; Mar. del. buyers 13¼ +⅛; sellers 13⅜ +⅛.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Mar. 8.29 unc; May 8.30 unc; July 8.31 unc; Oct. 8.25 unc. Egyptian Futures: Giza, F.G.F. No. 7, No. 2 Contract: Mar. 11.08 +1; May 11.07 +1; July 11.03 +1; Nov. 11.05 +1.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, middle price £266¼ +½; 3 mths. middle price £265⅞ +3¼.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. p.b. Cash	$1,364
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	225
Shanghai cotton .. per picul	210
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	23.00
Flour, imported per bag (49lb.)	25.75
	picul
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%	$5,000 nom.

London Bullion

London, Feb. 28.

London Gold. Bar, Fine, per oz...168/- unchanged

London Silver: There was a little selling, but buyers were holding back. The market ruled quiet but steady.

Spot	23⅜d. —1/16d.
Forward	23 5/16d. unc.

—Reuter.

Singapore Weekly Rubber Report

Singapore, Feb. 13.

The local market has again been influenced by the freight position, but this, however, has been somewhat alleviated temporarily due to the proposed berthing of a non-conference steamer. Prices have improved in New York, owing to factory absorption, but London continues to be dull.

Latest quotations to hand are as follows:—

Spot 37⅜ cts., up 1¼ cts.
London 12½d., up 1/16d.
New York 20 1/16 U.S.A. cts., up 5/16 U.S.A. ct.

At the auctions held this morning, there was a good demand for all grades, manufacturers in particular showing considerable interest. Of 1,234 tons catalogued, 1,117 tons were offered and 906 tons sold.

The following is the course of values:—

	In Singapore per lb.
Ribbed Smoked Sheet:	
Standard Quality	37⅜—37½
Good Average Quality	36½—37¼
Fair Average Quality	35⅛—36⅜
Off Quality	33⅞—35
Sheet Cuttings	33⅝—34
Crepe:	
Fine Quality Pale	No Sales
Standard & Slightly Inferior	36⅞—38⅜
Off Colour Latex	34⅜—36⅞
Light Brown & Brown (Clean)	33½—34¼
Milling Grades	
Cupwashing & Skimmings	33 —33⅞
Tree Scrap	21 —30½
Brown & Dark Crepe	27 —32[illegible]
Bark Crepe (Earth Rubber)	26½—26¾
Virgin Lump	23⅛—30

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Mar. 1.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing
Atoks	.20
Antamok	.05 X
Baguio Gold	.14 X
Batong Buhay	.0075X
Big Wedge	.205
Coco Grove	.0625X
Consolidated Mines	.0018
East Mindanao	.0675
I.X.L.	.22 X
Ipo Gold	.05 X
Itogen	.1475X
Mambulao Consolidated	.01 X
Masbate Consolidated	.085
Mine Operations	.055 X
Paracale Gumaus	.275
San Mauricio	.30 X
Surigao Consolidated	.18
Suyoc	.09 X
United Paracale	.12 S
Mindanao Motherlode	.105 X
Manila Hai-Alai	6.50
Benguet Consolidated	3.40 S

Turnover (Morning Session): 42.47 Pesos.

Shares Index (Morning Session): 5,100.

X—Ex. Div. S—Sales.—Reuter.

Wholesale Prices

Washington, Feb. 28.

The Department of Labour's all-commodity index of wholesale prices during the week which ended February 20 declined .1 per cent. to 80.4 per cent. of the 1926 average. This was compared to 80.5 per cent. for the week which ended February 13, and 78.6 per cent. for the corresponding week last year.—United Press.

U.S. Shipbuilding At Capacity

Strenuous Efforts Being Made to meet her Naval And British Needs

New York.

Shipbuilders will operate at capacity for some time to come to turn out the large volume of Navy Department orders, according to the Standard Statistics Company. As new construction facilities are placed in operation next year, a substantial gain in gross billings should be witnessed, states the "Christian Science Monitor."

While excess profits taxes will be heavy in some cases, earnings should be well above those in recent years. Coastal operators will benefit from increased traffic, but narrow margins will prevent worth-while improvement in earnings, except for those concerns able to sell or charter their vessels at profitable rates.

Lake carriers should show at least a moderate gain in earnings, because of the high level of tonnage in prospect.

Capacity Expanding

Spurred by the huge Navy Department orders placed to build up a two-ocean navy, all major shipyards not only are operating at capacity but are actively expanding existing facilities to speed up the shipbuilding program. In most instances, the additional facilities are being built with Government funds, and the Navy will retain ownership. This will protect private operators from the burden of too much capacity when the present building programme ends and will prevent, to some extent, at least, a repetition of the financial strain suffered after the World War.

Vessels For England

The new facilities will come in to operation gradually during the medium term, and a much higher rate of production than that now in effect will prevail during the final part in 1942. Under the recent contracts let for 201 Navy vessels, completion was scheduled for 1945-1946, but indications are that they will be finished before that time in view of the strenuous efforts being made to speed up building. Because of the need for auxiliary boats for the Navy, the Maritime Commission also is pressing for quicker delivery of the commercial vessels being constructed under the merchant marine programme.

In addition to the large volume of work for the Navy and Maritime Commission, shipbuilding operators also are being called up to provide new vessels for England. It is reported that orders for 60 new freighters have recently been awarded to American yards. To facilitate completion of these, plans are said to call for all-welded construction and the use of prefabricated materials.

Operators' Prospects

In all, the gross value of work handled by most shipbuilding companies for 1940 will be the best since the World War, and a further substantial rise is indicated for 1941. With the greater use of yard margins, a material expansion in operating profits is assured for some time ahead. Although excess profits taxes will be heavy in some cases, final net earnings should be well above those in recent years.

The high level of domestic business should cause a gradual rise in tonnage by costal and intercoastal operators in coming months. Larger cargoes should also be made available to those vessels remaining in this service as a result of the elimination of a number of boats by sale or charter in the past year.

However, companies depending solely on coastal traffic will be handicapped by continued narrow margins, since costs remain high and competition from the railroads will prevent fully compensating advances in freight and passenger rates.

At best only modest improvement in their earnings is likely during 1941. On the other hand, those concerns able to sell some of their boats at a profit or to charter vessels for their services at profitable rates, will continue to record satisfactory earnings.

Lake Traffic Rises

Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes in the 1940 season amounted to 63,709,000 tons, a gain of 41 per cent. over 1939, and the largest for any year since 1929, when shipments totaled 65,205,000 tons. Coal traffic also ran well above last year.

With steel operations continuing at a high rate next year, iron ore shipments should set a new record, and the Great Lakes fleet should operate at capacity. Despite the 12½ per cent. reduction in ore and coal rates made last March, the larger traffic probably permitted well-maintained earnings in 1940, and relatively satisfactory returns are expected for 1941.

British Losses

The heavy shipping losses incurred by Great Britain and efforts to replace these with American boats have caused renewed strength in charter rates after a slump during the summer.

While rates vary for different types of charter, one representative rates is now reported at about $5 a deadweight ton per month, compared with less than $3 during the summer. Prices paid by Britain for purchased vessels likewise have advanced. Recent sales of over-age vessels have been made at $50 to $60 a deadweight ton, against $45 a ton early this year.

Buy Old Vessels

Despite the construction of new vessels under way for Britain in this country, further purchases of old vessels here apparently will continue, since the war began, 30 vessels have been bought and 15 additional vessels are expected to be purchased soon from the overage fleet held under the jurisdiction of the Maritime Commission. This will leave about 48 of the latter still available for sale.

As long as Great Britain remains under the necessity of replacing lost tonnage, charter rates promise to hold firm, and owners of chartered vessels should continue to realize good revenues from this source. An early ending of the war or a sharp rise in ship destruction, which would materially ease British needs, obviously would cause a reversal in this situation.

Brokerage Loans Rise

New York, Mar. 1.

The Federal Reserve System announced yesterday that brokerage loans last week totalled US$332,000,000, up US$50,000,000 compared to the previous week's total but off US$125,000,000 compared to the total for the corresponding week in 1940.—United Press.

Carloadings Decrease

New York, Mar. 1.

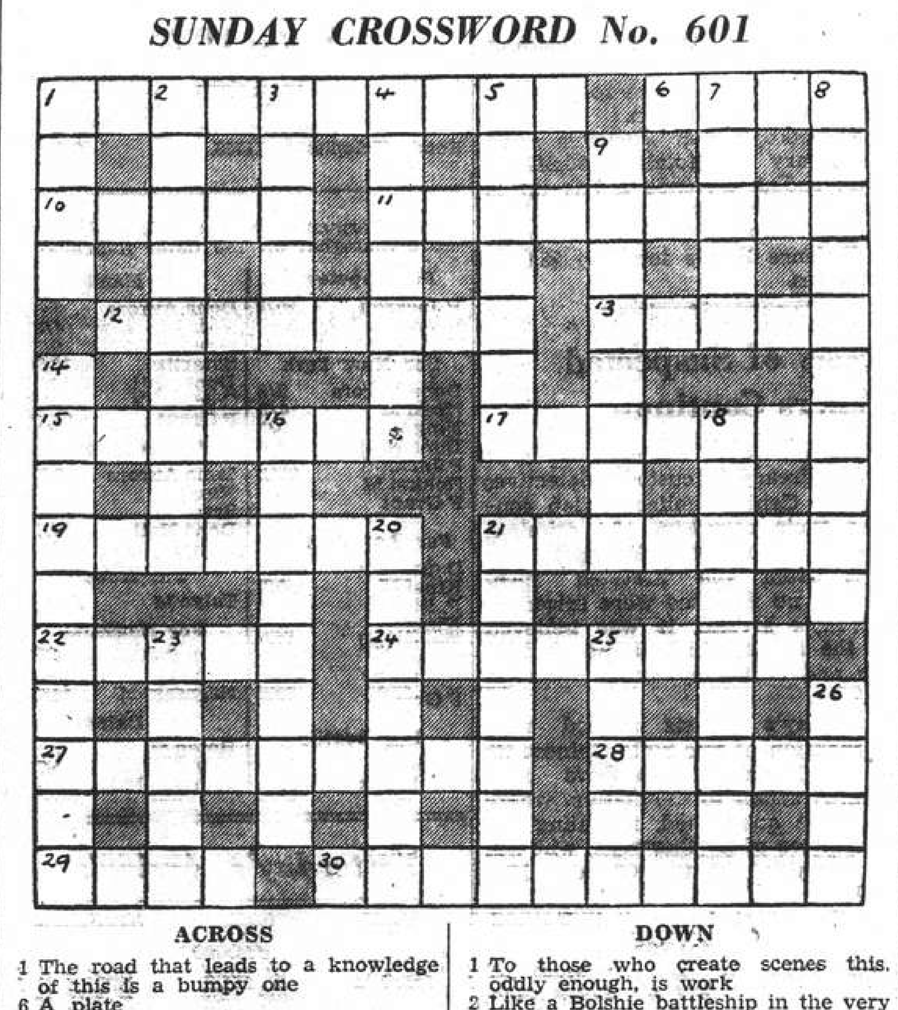
Car loadings last week totalled 678,493 cars or 42,683 cars less than the previous week's total but 83,4[illegible] cars more than the total for the corresponding week in 1940, the Association of American Railways announced yesterday.—United Press.

Share Values

The statistical value of the International Investment Trust Co. of China Ltd., shares last Friday was 28.30, and of the Yangtsze Finance Co. Ltd., $20.63.

WORD has been received of the death of Dr. John J. Heeren in New York City on February 7. Dr. Heeren was a graduate of Grinnell College, Iowa and of McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, and had done his work for the doctorate in Germany at Halle and Wittenberg. He came to China in 1911 and for thirty years has been on the staff of Shantung Christian University, now better known as Cheeloo University, residing first in Weihsien and then in Tsinan. He was married in 1912 to Miss Edith Weeks, who survives him.

SUNDAY CROSSWORD No. 601



ACROSS

1 The road that leads to a knowledge of this is a bumpy one
6 A plate
10 The proper creature to sum up?
11 "A red novel" (anag.)
12 An outstanding feature of S. America
13 Tug
15 A strong point concerning uncertainty
17 A striking come-back
19 A craftsman who makes ladders
21 At some future time (two words)
22 Puff, kind of boat, or to fish in a certain way
24 A citizen of no uniform significance
27 A warning feature that occurs in cycles
28 A corporation
29 This is a bit rough on the strand
30 This worker encounters hard lines, inevitably

DOWN

1 To those who create scenes this, oddly enough, is work
2 Like a Bolshie battleship in the very act
3 A Spaniard changes his nationality
4 He may be in the crow's-nest
5 A picker-up of unconsidered trifles
7 Did it like its present wrapped up in white paper?
8 Look after the heart in this strife
9 A word of 26 letters
14 Ill-natured remarks that apparently interest you
16 By no means depressed
18 Illusion
20 Suitable narration should make it clear
21 This youngster may grow up to be "jugged," though innocent
23 Deduce what might be finer
25 Lawful
26 German river

The solution will be published tomorrow

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 1, Whipped; 5, Bellows; 9, Reproof; 10, Gasping; 11, Hour-Glass; 12, Prime; 13, Pedal; 15, In concert; 17, Damagogue; 19, Yearn; 22, Mulct; 23, Port light; 25, Budding; 26, Incubus; 27, Damages; 28, Wastage. DOWN: 1, Warship; 2, Impound; 3, Prong; 4, Deflating; 5, Bogus; 6, Last penny; 7, Orifice; 8, Suggest; 14, Lightning; 16, Clear view; 17, Damp bed; 18, Mill dam; 20, Algebra; 21, No taste; 23, Pages; 24, Locus.

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Queen Wilhelmina in London

Dutch Government Carrying on Activities in England; Opposition to the Nazis

SINCE Queen Wilhelmina had to leave Holland during the early days of May in order to evade the aggressors who were out to capture her person and the members of her Government, little has been heard of Her Majesty. Recently some particulars have been received regarding the life Queen Wilhelmina is now leading in London. She is in perfect health, and it may be said that she is at present, the backbone of the resistance carried out by free Netherlanders.

Upon Queen Wilhelmina's arrival in London she convened her ministers as measures of all kinds had to be taken in order to organize the Government in her new surroundings. During the first weeks the Queen herself was constantly supervising the work of Government, and took no rest until all necessary precautions had been made to safeguard the interests of the Netherlands people, to reorganize the navy, the army, the mercantile fleet and to give as much help to her allies as possible. Furthermore, important measures had to be taken with regard to Netherlands India, so as to enable the Netherlands Empire outside occupied Holland to do its utmost in aiding Britain.

Not before this had been arranged did Queen Wilhelmina take a rest from government work, although as can be expected, the ministers are received practically every day by her to discuss important affairs.

At the moment Queen Wilhelmina is residing in a simple mansion in London, where Prince Bernhard likewise has his apartments. All Netherlanders are proud of the way their Queen has carried on the work of the Government during those very critical days, and the one wish all Hollanders abroad cherish is to be home when their Queen returns there too.

Suitable Offices

Upon the arrival of the Government in London suitable offices had to be formed. During the first two weeks temporary quarters were found in a London hotel, but later four floors were available in Stratton House, one of the big office buildings situated in the centre of the city.

All the departments of the Government have been housed in this building on a very simple scale. Altogether there are ten ministers and about one hundred functionaries, who were able to leave Holland in time, to keep the Government machinery working. Naturally great difficulties had to be overcome as all archives, etc., had been left behind, but the Government soon got started.

Contact with the British Government is very smooth and although officially this contact still follows the usual channels, through the Netherlands Legation, personal contact between British and Netherlands colleagues is facilitated on account of the proximity of the two Governments. This close contact takes place without the Netherlands Government losing the least of its independent character, the more so since the British Government knows how to be a tactful host.

A.R.P. Necessary

Of course the necessary precautions have been taken against indiscriminate bombing, the cellars have been reinforced and officers of the free Netherlands army act as roof-spotters on the building used by the Netherlands Government.

The Hollanders in London are very much impressed by the high moral of the London population. The Londoners feel that that they are holding the front lines and they are very proud of it. When in the first world war soldiers returned to the front they were seen off by their relatives as real heroes. Nowadays when a man returns to the country for a rest it is his family which remains in town that deserves this epithet.

Likewise the Hollanders in London have adapted themselves to this city camp life and many seem to like it and to enjoy the advantages it offers by affording a good night's rest since late nights are out of the question.

Above all they share the conviction of their allied friends that England is going to win this war and that thereby their country will be free again. They realize that England is not only on the defensive but is actively engaged on all fronts and that no opportunity will be lost to take advantage of every gain made.

Spirit of Londoners

Hollanders who return from London are enthusiastic about the spirit which pervades the population of that city and share the latter's abhorrance to the indiscriminate bombing. Some of them have seen with their own eyes the wilful destruction of Rotterdam and make the comparison with what they witness in London. The whole centre of Rotterdam, an open city, was all in ruins, but the damage in London, although the pictures give an idea of the havoc caused there, is confined to deliberate spots deliberately bombed, whole streets showing not a single damaged house.

Over the radio they hear what happens in Holland and they feel proud of their own aviators who take part in the regular visits to Berlin and......to their own country. Pilots, like Moll and Parmentier, who at the time were second in the well-known Melbourne race, know how to do their stuff in war time too.

None of the Hollanders of London is tempted by the generous offer of the Nazis to join their compatriots at home to join the S.S. troops of Hitler and be rewarded by a farm after four years of service. They know where these farms come from and they have no ambition to become vultures and prey upon the remnants of the enormous Nazi loot.

They stay with their Governments and with their allies and with them they intend to see the whole thing through, until Nazidom is destroyed.

Tail-End Charlie's Adventures

A Hazardous Journey Back from Germany; On the Open Sea

"Soldier and sailor too" is what they call the Marines, and there are times when "Tail-End Charlie," with the rest of his bomber's crew, have to turn hastily from airmen into real sailors writes "Air Gunner" in the "Manchester Guardian." Since their aircraft cannot be relied on to stay afloat for long the transformation has to be made pretty quickly.

The bomber has dropped its load somewhere not a hundred miles from the Rhine and is cruising comfortably home. It's a dark autumn night, and, although they have had some trouble with "Flak" back there, the crew have the easy feeling of tourists halfway back from a pleasant charabanc ride. "What's our E.T.A.?" the captain asks. E.T.A. is short for estimated time of arrival—and means a lot to homegoers. "0440. We ought to pick up the Dutch coast any time now."

"Searchlights on starboard bow!" announces somebody.

"Tha'll be——," says the captain. "Old Goonsy Gubbins caught a packet there only last week. Steer a point or two north." An eye, malevolent, red, glares suddenly from the ground at the passing 'plane. Two frigid blue beams, one either side of it, shoot up to fasten on Tail-End Charlie's glass home.

"Searchlights on our tail!" he sings out, and feels the "kite" roll and dip as its pilot takes avoiding action. "What height are we?" he asks, as the bunch of inquisitive searchlights are increased by five or more. "Three thousand," answers the pilot. At once Tail-End Charlie's gun rattles. One of those prying rays dies suddenly and Tail-End Charlie exultantly pours a burst down the glittering beam of another. He announces some "Flak," which flies heavenwards past him. The aircraft is dipping and diving, and his eyes are engrossed on his sight. Suddenly, WHOOF! a heavy shell explodes close. Something goes crash. The great bomber lurches.

"Gee, that was near!" Tail-End Charlie hears the pilot exclaim. Then. "Hullo, our port engine's jiggered!"

Jettison

Now the rear gunner can feel the aircraft sinking and sinking. He wonders just what has happened. The port engine has gone out of business and the petrol is streaming away from a jagged hole in the port tank. The captain is holding his aircraft up as well as he can as he sees the Dutch coast pass below them and knows that some two hundred miles of cold, tossing sea must be crossed before he gets home.

With all the work on one engine he struggles hard to keep the bomber flying a thousand feet up, while his wireless operator sends out constant signals of their position and plight. Meanwhile Tail-End Charlie and the rest of the crew are not idle. Taking turns with an axe, they hack off the door of the bomber, and through the doorway goes hurtling anything heavy and movable. The expensive bombsight goes splashing into the sea, followed by five machine-guns and shining festoons of linked cartridges. Spare flares, instruments, parachutes all go sailing into the water. At last everything that can be detached has gone over. The plane is plodding along, just skimming the surface, its petrol almost exhausted. Tail-End Charlie squats perspiring and panting close to a big blue package near the fuselage doorway.

Suddenly, "Get ready to take the water!" the captain's voice warns. His second pilot signals the crew to lie down. They disperse themselves on the floor, prepared for the shock when the bomber comes down in the sea. A terrific jar, which shoots each of them backwards, a splash like the splash of a whale—and the aircraft floating at rest on the dark, heaving water.

A Miracle

Tail-End Charlie has sprung to his feet. Grabbing his odd dumpy bundle, he flings it out through the doorway. At the same time the captain and wireless operator have climbed through the forward escape hatch. Tail-End Charlie's bundle falls into the water and sinks like a stone, but it is suddenly brought up short by a length of cord which connects it to the rapidly filling aircraft. Then a miracle happens. The bundle unfolds, blossoms like a huge water-lily, and rises to the surface, a round yellow boat. The crew jump aboard. Tail-End Charlie among them, a clasp-knife gripped in his hand to cut loose the painter.

"Get at those marine flares," the captain orders. "Someone ought to be on their way." Suddenly two more stars appear in the sky—one white and one coloured. "Hurrah, they've found us!" the captain cheers them. "They'll soon have a boat along." So they sit on, occasionally sending up signals whenever the 'plane's fading engine denotes that its pilot has lost them. Dawn breaks. They begin to feel cold and a tot of rum is passed round. They discern the plane now—a Blenheim circling above them, keeping watch while it signals to shore.

They are too down on the surface to see the rescuing destroyer until it is almost upon them. She heaves to and a boat is lowered. The little voyage is ended without further event.

"Refreshments downstairs," suggests a cheerful lieutenant.

They answer the call.

Mr. Tsurumi Leaves For Thailand

Singapore, Feb. 27.

Mr. Ken Tsurumi, Japanese Consul-General here, this morning left here for Bangkok by train to confer with Japanese authorities in Thailand.—Domei.

Italians Told of Nazi Clothes Rationing

German People Facing Hardship and Shortage

Italian correspondents in Germany are given facilities for describing conditions there, but some of their despatches are hardly likely to win enthusiasm for the Reich, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Italian girls must imagine themselves in some sort of paradise after reading in the newspaper "Popolo di Roma" recently how a fraulein disposed of her year's 150 clothes ration card points in three hours and had very little to show for them.

The article assured readers that "in Germany not a single thing may be bought without the appropriate documents." The writer went shopping with a woman friend and saw 75 of the 150 points spent on three articles only. These were a woollen dress, 40, a petticoat, 20, and a blouse, 15.

Small articles such as stockings and handkerchiefs brought the points total to within 14 of maximum. As these were not sufficient for pyjamas she borrowed some points from a friend.

Stockings Must Last

Only six pairs of stockings a year are permitted.

The Italian's woman friend still wanted an overcoat. She could get it only by depositing her old one with a committee empowered to grant the necessary bonus points.

A person who needs an overcoat and has neither points nor old coat must apply to the police who, if they are suspicious, make a house inspection.

"A very simple thing—that is, simple in Germany," comments the "Popolo di Roma's" correspondent.

Every person in Germany may have two pairs of shoes. If he possesses more he must give up one to acquire a new pair. This operation may be carried out only once a year.

Hats may be bought without a ration card. "The police have not yet poked their noses into this branch of feminine elegance," the correspondent comments.

No Chinese Troops in Shan States

British Officials Deny Japanese Reports

Bangkok, Mar. 1.

British military quarters here yesterday denied Japanese reports that Chinese troops were concentrated in the Shan states of Burma and expressed some concern over the present shortage of British troops in Burma.

Only three roads lead from Thailand to Burma, British military sources said—from Chiengmai to Chieng Tung, from Shkotai to Moulmein and across the isthmus of Kra. British troops are concentrated at those points, it was said, and also are scattered along the entire Burma-Thai frontier.

More Indian troops were said to be en route to Malaya for the purpose of guarding airports and supply depots, thus releasing regular troops for any possible action along the Malayan frontier.

Other Indian forces probably will be sent to Burma to relieve the shortage there, it also was said. British military sources emphasized that the preparations were "merely precautionary" and that "Britain has no aggressive intentions."—United Press.

India Increasing Taxes To Meet Higher Costs

Prospective Deficit for This Year £15,000,000

New Delhi, Mar. 1.

Sir Jeremy Raisman, Finance Member, introducing the central budget into the Legislative Assembly yesterday, disclosed a deficit of £6,315,000 for 1940/41 and a prospective deficit of £15,345,000 for 1941/42. The strengthening of India's defence forces was expected to cost an additional £18,000,000 for 1940/41 and £26,000,000 for 1941/42.

Sir Jeremy Raisman announced an increase in the Excess Profit Tax from 50 to 66-2/3 per cent, and a surcharge on Income Tax from 25 to 33-1/3 per cent. The Budget also proposed to double the excise duty on matches, increased the import duty on artificial silk yarn and thread from three to five annas and proposed a new ten per cent. *ad valorem* excise duty on pneumatic tyres and tubes, he explained. The total estimated yield was £5,000,000, reducing the deficit for 1941/42 to £10,000,000. The uncovered revenue deficit would be met by borrowing, Sir Jeremy Raisman added.—Reuter.

New Zealand Calling Up More Men

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Wellington, Mar. 1.

New Zealand's defence preparations are being pushed forward actively.

Mr. Semple, Dominion Minister for National Service, stated yesterday that all single men aged 19 and those from 41 to 45 inclusive were to be called up for territorial service. Single men between the ages of 21 and 40 were all to be reserved for overseas service.

The strength of the Territorials, he explained, was being built up from men ineligible for overseas service or not becoming liable for a considerable time. This would ensure having an adequately trained force within the Dominion.—Reuter.

Soviet Freighter Leaves Hongkong for Russia

Hongkong, Mar. 1.

The 6,000 tons Soviet freighter Turksib sailed from here today for Vladivostock loaded with nearly 50,000 chests of tea after receiving a Government permit. The ship had been under repair recently at the Taikoo docks.—United Press.

Rumanian Magnate's Property Confiscated

Max Ausnit Imprisoned in Bucharest

London, Mar. 1.

The property of M. Max Ausnit, Rumania's steel magnate who is now in prison in Bucharest, has been confiscated by the Rumanian authorities, states a Bucharest telegram to the official Italian news agency.

Arrested in November, 1939 on charges of fraud and infringement of currency laws, M. Ausnit was sentended to six years' penal servitude, four years' banishment and a fine of 10,000 lei.—Reuter.

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Fine and cold weather with north-easterly to south-easterly winds around Shantung. Overcast to cloudy and cold with mist and strong to fresh monsoon over our regions and the Coast to the South of the Saddles. Rainy around the Loochoos.

	At Cathedral	At Siccawei
Temperature yesterday	min. 37.0 max. 42.0	min. 36.3 max. 45.0
„ same date last year	min. 33.0 max. 45.0	min. 32.4 max. 45.5

Rainfall: Trace.

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ENGAGEMENTS

ANDERSON—MILLARD.—The engagement is announced and the wedding will take place immediately in England, of MOLLY, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Millard, of Mariners, Haslemere, Surrey (and late of Shanghai), to E. F. G. ANDERSON, of the Dunlop Rubber Company, in Malaya. -3200

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DEATH

SUFFERT.—On Friday, February 28, 1941, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, THOMAS HENRY SUFFERT, aged 70 years. Funeral services will be held at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road, tomorrow, Monday, March 3, 1941, at 4.30 p.m.

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

MARCH

2 S'hai Municipal Orchestra Lyc 5.15
2 Christian Science B'cast, XMHA, 6.30
2 Rus. L. Op. 'The Ball in Savoy' Lyc. 8.45
2 Jewish Recreation Club Annual Meeting, 50 Museum Road, 4.30 p.m.
2 The Pope's birthday (1876)
2 First Sunday in Lent

COMING EVENTS

MARCH

3 Engineering Society Meeting 5.45 p.m.
4 British United Services Association Monthly tiffin at 'The Dome' 12.30 p.m.

ESTATE OF
ALFRED JOSEPH HUDSON
Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Trustee Act, 1925, that creditors and others having claims against the estate of the late Alfred Joseph Hudson who died on the 16th day of October, 1940, at the Shanghai General Hospital, Shanghai, China, should give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned, the legal practitioner for Alfred Saxon Hudson, to whom Letters of Administration (with the Will of the said deceased thereto annexed) were granted by His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court for China at Shanghai on the 24th day of February, 1941, on or before the 7th day of May next, after which time the said Administrator intends to distribute the estate among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice has been received by the undersigned.

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Barometer (inches)	30.19	30.27	30.26	30.29
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.16	+0.18	+0.08	+0.08
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.01	+0.06	+0.07	+0.02
Wind (direction)	NNE	NNE	N	NNE
„ (miles per hour)	16.8	11.8	5.6	8.7
Temperature (Fahr.)	43.5°	38.6°	36.9°	40.1°
Humidity (per cent)	71	71	78	74
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	6	10
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report Feb. 28	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.21	+0.12	30.20
Temp. min. 40.8° Max. 48.9°	44.9°	—3.5°	42.6°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	7.51	00.5	4.30

Time and Tide	2/3	3/3	4/3	5/3	6/3	7/3	8/3
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.21	6.20	6.19	6.17	6.16	6.15	6.14
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.52	17.53	17.54	17.55	17.55	17.56	17.57
Moon rises at Shanghai	8.31	9.07	9.44	10.23	11.07	11.54	12.45
Moon sets at Shanghai	21.35	22.27	23.19	—	0.10	1.02	1.52
Flood makes Shai. (day)	12.27	12.51	13.29	14.14	15.09	16.55	5.52
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	17.45	6.03	6.29	7.00	7.54	8.57	10.42
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	14.35	14.55	15.25	16.10	17.05	6.20	8.20
Ht. above L.W. (feet)	9.77	9.00	8.35	7.82	7.38	6.45	7.28

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 28th:—Normal and unsteady pressure over China: falling over Japan, owing to two depressions passing east-northeastward. Northerly winds along the China Coast. Fine and colder weather in North China: cloudy in our Valley.

State on the morning of the 1st:—Cloudy and colder weather. North-north-easterly breezes. Normal and steady pressure.—Siccawei Observatory.

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(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

SUNDAY, March 2.	Reg.	Ord.
Amoy Swatow and Canton	9.30	10.00
Hongkong Canton Australia and New Zealand	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
MONDAY, March 3.		
Tsingtao and Dairen	*19.00	7.15
Manila	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	19.30	20.00
TUESDAY, March 4.		
Weihaiwei Chefoo and Tientsin	*20.00	8.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	x 9.30	10.00
Amoy and Hongkong	10.30	11.00
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00

* The night before

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